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TWO CHRISTMAS DAYS.

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Other people soon trooped in, however, and very soon the Coulbourne girls found themselves sufficiently well sought after, despite their plain attire.

The rivals of the evening, however, were the bride-elect and her chief bridesmaid, Miriam Hindman.

Grace was dressed in pale blue, exquisitely trimmed with cream lace and blush-roses, while her golden hair, her gold ornaments, and her bright blue eyes made her look bewitching in the extreme.

But her beauty was quite eclipsed when Miriam appeared.

The brunette wore rose-colored satin, half-covered with costly black lace looped with lilies-of-the-valley, while pearls and diamonds were clasped round her throat, and lilies and diamonds shone in her jet-black hair.

Independent of ornament, Miriam was wonderfully beautiful, but rich colors and sparkling gems added greatly to her natural charms, and she used laughingly to say that she was thankful she had been born too late to be expected to wear white muslin gowns, short in the waist and tied round with a sash, until the time when she should be married.

"It was almost enough to drive a girl to marry the first man who asked her, if only to obtain the privilege of wearing silk and satin," she would say laughingly. "Happily in our days we can wear what we like, without caring for the opinion of the male sex or for that of Mrs. Grundy."

She seemed to care for the good opinion of one member of the male sex this evening, however, and he for hers, and though his marriage with his host's daughter was fixed for the following morning, Victor seemed to be unable to resist the attraction of Miriam's black eyes.

Grace watched the couple jealously whenever she thought of them; but something more important than the temporary defection of her lover filled her thoughts. She was planning how to get away from her guests unobserved and to stay long enough to be able to ascertain what lay at the bottom of the dark shaft into which she had thrust her sister:

"I shall have no opportunity after to-night," she thought gloomily, "for to-morrow I shall have people about me the whole time until I go to church, and after that I shall go away with Victor.

"Yes, it must be to-night. When the conjurors engaged come into the hall to play their tricks I will slip away. I shall be less missed then than at any time."

She smiled as she came to this conclusion, and turned to answer a question which a gentleman at her side had asked.

CHAPTER VI.

WHAT GRACE SAW AT THE BOTTOM OF THE SHAFT.

The tables had been cleared away, the guests had returned to the grand old hall, and dancing had been going on for nearly a couple of hours, when the band ceased playing, and a company of conjurors and jugglers, specially engaged for the occasion, made their appearance.

All the lights were lowered, and the large party of guests seated themselves in a half circle round the performers.

The host this evening was more than restless, he was nervous and excited, and as the minutes and the hours went on he seemed to find it difficult to turn his eyes from the door.

"Are you expecting anybody, papa?" Grace had asked him more than once as she observed his singular manner.

"Yes—I don't know," he had replied impatiently; "don't mind me, go and amuse yourself."

And he turned away as though annoyed at being questioned.

Grace was too much troubled with her own perplexities to pay much heed to her father, and when the jugglers commenced their tricks, and she believed all eyes were fixed upon them, she rose from her seat and quietly left the room.

She had made all her preparations.

The previous year she had soiled her delicate dress, and she remembered how Roland Ayre had looked at her as he pointed out the stain.

Now she was more prudent.

She hastily buttoned on a dark ulster that completely covered her pale-blue gown, and otherwise protected herself against the cold, for she recollected even now, with a shudder, how the wind, rushing up from the dark aperture, had seemed to strike her with its icy breath and chill her to the very bone.

There was no snow on the ground this year; it was a green Yule-tide, and old people talked of there being a full churchyard, while others, more hopeful and less prone to take a gloomy view of matters, said there was frost in the air, and before New Year's Day there would be skating on the river and the lakes.

With her nerves strung by a nameless fear to the horrible task before her, Grace Lilburne went swiftly to the chamber which, a year ago this very night, had been the scene of such a cruel tragedy.

It was not until she had lighted the lantern and fastened the door behind her, and she felt herself quite alone, with the consciousness that her victim was lying only so many feet below the spot on which she stood, that her courage wavered, and for a few seconds she felt that she could not look upon the face of the dead.

Her courage soon returned and she knelt down on the floor and pressed the hidden spring with all her strength. Slowly the boards moved back, disclosing the large square aperture, from whence the wind came rushing up with a damp mouldy smell that made her feel sick as it swept over her.

She waited a few seconds, and then she took the lantern and carefully examined the sides of the dark mysterious-looking well.

Her heart stood still as she discovered that not only were the sides of the shaft formed of solid masonry which had been scarcely affected by the hand of time, but that on one of the four perpendicular walls iron clamps were fixed, forming a kind of ladder let into the stone, and clearly intended to be a means of ascending and descending the shaft.

Taking the lantern in her hand she examined the cord attached to it, to see that it was securely tied, then she slowly lowered the light into the darkness below.

She kept her eyes fixed upon the iron ladder, but every bar of it was intact, and so intent was she on noticing this, that though the lantern had been swayed a good deal by the wind in its descent, she was suddenly startled by finding that it was resting upon something and seemed to be able to go no further. And she saw that what she had believed to be a damp and almost bottomless well, was not in reality more than some twenty or thirty feet below the false floor that covered it.

Still it is deep enough for the fall to have stunned Kate if it did not instantly kill her; and now, with burning anxiety and breathless terror, Grace leans over to look, as she hopes, upon the corpse of her sister.

Can it be true? do her eyes deceive her? or is she the victim of some cunning delusion—some horrible nightmare?

The crushed mass of satin and lace, pearls and flowers, that she had so often pictured to herself as lying here was not to be seen, and she might have believed that she had dreamed the events of the last Christmas Day but for two things which the light of the lantern on being moved about revealed.

One was a pearl necklace, the other a lace handkerchief, both of which had belonged to her ill-fated sister. The effect of this discovery upon Grace Lilburne was to paralyse her for the time.

She could not act or think; she simply sat on the floor like a creature stunned, and it was only the sound of voices in the corridor that ultimately roused her.

Even now she could not move quickly, but she drew up the lantern slowly, pressed the spring that made the floor slide back into its place, then she deliberately divested herself of her ulster, extinguished the light, and walked out into the corridor.

She did not observe Miriam Hindman and Victor Gayherd standing only a few paces from whence she emerged, for she was like a woman walking in her sleep; and though stunned by the sudden discovery she had made, she had not as yet begun to realise what it meant for her.

There was a strange look in her eyes as she rejoined her father and their guests, and Amy Goulburne asked if she was ill, and somebody else suggested that she was about to faint.

But she smiled absently and declared she was quite well, and she gave the signal that the dance was to recommence, though she herself declined to take part in it.

"I am a little tired and I will look on," she said to a gentleman who asked her to dance with him.

She sat and watched them, absently and vacantly, and she saw the looks of love that passed between them.

Grace knew quite well that Victor would never have thought of marrying her if he had not believed her to be her father's only surviving child and sole heiress, and now she wondered if Miriam had persuaded him that Kate was really alive, and if at the last hour he meant to desert her for his old love.

She knew not what to do nor which way to turn. When her mind became more accustomed to the situation she began to think that she was frightening herself unnecessarily, for now she remembered that the bottom of the shaft into which Kate had fallen seemed as though it were only a portion of a room or cellar which was probably as large as the chamber above.

If this were the case, the injured girl might have crawled away into some dark corner, and there remained until death had mercifully ended her sufferings.

"I wish I had possessed the courage and the presence of mind to descend by those iron steps and see for myself what is hidden below, and where the place really leads.

"There may be many secret chambers beneath the old part of the castle, of which neither my father nor I ever heard. I must do it sooner or later; I shall never sleep in peace again until I know that Kate is past troubling me."

And all this time the fun never flagged.

The band played, and the guests danced and flirted and talked about the morrow, and whispered among themselves of the great good luck of Victor Gayherd at having won so rich an heiress.

But Mr. Lilburne was not good company this evening.

His lost daughter was constantly in his mind, and every now and again he felt as though if he looked round he should see her.

Miriam was quick to observe his manner, and to divine the cause, and she at length said:

"It was about this hour last year, was it not, that Kate was lost?"

"Very nearly," he replied, his eyes wandering to a clock.

Then he and the girl both sat silent—waiting for they knew not what; but with their eyes fixed upon the clock as though they had been watching the old year out, and were anxious to welcome in the new.

Grace and Victor had been dancing, but the band had stopped suddenly, and they had paused very close to where Mr. Lilburne and Miriam were seated.

"What do they mean by breaking off like this?" asked Grace in a tone of annoyance.

Her question was never answered.

At that moment, the house-steward, who rarely showed himself except to announce distinguished guests, now came to the open doorway, and announced:

"Mr. and Mrs. Roland Ayre!"

Mr. Lilburne sprang to his feet and started forward with a cry of welcome, and Grace likewise took a step towards the new comers.

But no sound escaped her lips. For a moment she swayed like a sapling shaken by a tempest, then she fell forward on her face, and when they picked her up they thought that she was dead.

CHAPTER VII.

THROUGH THE SNOW.

We must go back to the night when Kate Lilburne so mysteriously disappeared. It will be remembered that the snow began to fall only a very short time before she was persuaded to go with her sister and hide.

The snow might be a very seasonable visitor on Christmas night, but the servants at Silverton Castle took very good care to close every door carefully against it, and there was consequently no danger of any solitary watcher outside the mansion being observed.

Indeed, with so much free-handed hospitality inside the mansion, and such a warm welcome extended alike to rich and poor, it would naturally be supposed that no man in his senses would have wandered like an unquiet spirit round the building when he could take shelter from the cold white flakes of snow, and from the biting blast by the side of a glowing fire, and solace his inner man with an abundance of Christmas cheer.

Despite the folly of such a proceeding, however, a man, wearing a thick ulster, and judging from his appearance well-to-do in the world, certainly was loitering outside the castle on this eventful night.

If you could have looked well at his face, you would have seen that he was young and handsome, and you would probably also have observed that he was nervous and ill at ease, as though he knew he was doing something of which he was more than half ashamed. He seems doubtful now as to whether he will carry out the purpose that brought him here, or go away without accomplishing it.

And yet his object in coming is not to wrong anyone, even though it may increase his own pain by feeding the flame of a perfectly hopeless love.

Yes, it was love that had brought Frank Fairfield to this cheerless spot. He felt all the keen sorrow of hopeless love as he wandered outside the house that held the jewel he adored, yet dared not seek to win.

All through this day the demon of unrest has been upon him, and at length, unable to control his actions, he had left his mother's house, and harnessing the cob to a phaeton, which he had borrowed for a week from a neighbor, he drove the old vehicle in the direction of Silverton Castle.

Arrived at the outskirts of the village, he left the horse and carriage in a shed, and set off to perform the rest of his journey on foot.

He soon got tired of walking, however, and as he came near the deep narrow river, he bethought himself that he could approach the castle in a boat with very much less chance of being recognised.

So, in spite of the cold, he took a dingy, and then, though the darkness of night was setting in, he began to row towards the castle, for he knew every winding of the stream that flowed beneath its walls.

It was quite dark when he moored his boat under the Castle walls, and went cautiously round the mansion, to inspect it, and to try to catch one glimpse of Kate.

The dogs did not bark at his approach, for they knew him, and he had some difficulty in quietly getting away from their too demonstrative affection.

But the object of his fatiguing journey was not attained. He could not get into any position where he could see Kate without being observed and recognised.

He did not wish to speak to her. He only wanted to look upon her face, and to know that she was happy.

The hours went by, and he was becoming sick and numbed, and his heart was heavy, for the sounds of mirth and joy, of music and laughter, were in painfully strange contrast to his own desolate condition.

The falling snow warned him that he must soon retrace his steps and make for his mother's cottage, for his practised eye told him that the snow-storm would be both a long and a heavy one.

"I will see her, come what may," he muttered with sudden resolution, when midnight was approaching, and the sound of music from the hall had ceased.

He approached the disused tower, very close to which his boat was moored, and pulling aside some low bushes, he felt about in the darkness for some time with his hands.

At length he seemed to find what he wanted, for his hand came in contact with a small grating, and half lifting this he was able to take hold of a handle which, on being turned, enabled him to push inward a portion of the masonry at the foot of the tower as though it were a door.

This indeed it was, an iron door, with stone so carefully and cunningly fitted upon it that only a person who knew the secret could ever detect the spot, or suspect the existence of any means of ingress.

Frank passed through this door, but he did not close it, for he had no fear of anyone disturbing him, and he meant to enter the castle without observation and hide himself in some dark corner, so that he might have one view of the gay scene in the ball-room, where the lady he loved was sure to be the belle, and then he intended to return to the grounds as he came, leaving no trace of his stolen visit behind him.

He had not been in this place for many years and he advanced carefully and cautiously, more than once tempted to strike a light, yet fearful of betraying himself by doing so.

This fear was increased by two or three strange circumstances.

In the first place the wind seemed to rush through the vaulted passage in a perfect blast, and he fancied—though of course he could not be sure, as there was no light to guide him—that the false floor of the chamber above must be out of its place.

Fear of detection, and of coming suddenly upon somebody he knew, made him stand and eagerly listen for every sound.

He had just come to the conclusion that whatever might be the condition of the floor above, the coast for himself was clear, and he was about to take a few steps forward and mount the iron ladder which he had often used before, when the rush of wind increased and the sound of voices overhead became distinct.

There seemed to be words of expostulation and of encouragement, then there was a despairing gasp of terror as something appeared to fall.

Whatever it was its descent was arrested for a moment, but only for a moment, then with a heavy thud the something fell close to his very feet.

He looked up, but there was no light.

Whatever it might be that was lying so close to him it uttered no sound, and he was standing bewildered, not knowing what to do, hesitating whether to go away at once, or strike a light and ascertain what had happened, when, as he was hesitating and doubting, he heard indistinctly a voice overhead, and then, more plainly, the grating sound of the floor above being forced back into its proper place.

It was only at this moment that the conviction dawned upon his mind that some fearful crime had been committed of which he had been the unintentional and unsuspected witness.

A low groan close beside him roused him to immediate action, and he took a box of wax-matches from his pocket and struck a light.

The desire that had brought him here this night above all nights was gratified: his eyes rested once more upon the face of Kate Lilburne.

If ever a prayer was granted, and came to the suppliant as a curse, surely it was so now with Frank Fairfield.

He looked upon Kate as she lay senseless at his feet; blood was flowing from a wound on her forehead, and from a second wound on the side of her head.

And yet her fall had been slightly broken by her gown having been caught by some projection from the wall.

The wounds on her head were serious, however, and Frank tried to staunch the blood with a couple of large handkerchiefs he had in his pocket.

This was no easy matter, as he had to do it in the dark, his wax-matches being of no use except for a second or two at a time.

Kate remained senseless, and the young man tried to revive her by forcing some brandy which he had in his flask down her throat.

But his efforts were in vain, and the dank vault in which they both were chilled the blood in his veins, while the girl who was laying on the floor was almost as cold as though she were dead.

His first thought was for Kate, and he took off his thick warm ulster, wrapped her in it as well as he could, then, turned to leave her so that he might rouse the inmates of the castle, and bring them to her assistance.

He had only taken a few steps, however, for this purpose before he paused, suddenly rendered powerless by the difficulties and dangers of the situation, not only to himself, but to Kate, until she should be sufficiently recovered to explain what had happened.

What business had he in the castle? would naturally be the first enquiry, and he was compelled to admit that he had none—that he was a midnight trespasser and might be taken into custody as a suspected person.

Then again, it was evident that a deliberate crime had been committed of which Kate was the victim; but who had planned or executed it, he had not the faintest idea.

"No one can nurse her like my mother, who has been the only mother she has ever known," he murmured as he lifted the fair girl tenderly in his arms, and carried her out of the vault into the open air, and to the boat.

How he accomplished that journey through the snow-storm he never rightly knew, but when he was obliged to leave the boat as the river would have taken him out of his way beyond a certain point, he bribed a homeless tramp whom he found taking shelter in the deserted boat-house to help him carry "his brother, who," he said, "had met with an accident," to the shed where he had left his cob and phaeton.

He placed Kate in the carriage, and thus the tramp only saw an inanimate figure wrapped in a brown ulster.

And the man, when the task was completed, went on his way, glad of the handful of silver given him for his pains, and, as day after day took him farther away from this part of the country, he never heard of the strange disappearance of Kate Lilburne, and even had he done so, he would probably have failed to connect it with the piece of good fortune that had befallen him this bitter night.

Frank roused his mother to attend the unconscious girl. Mrs. Fairfield's face was white and stern as she angrily asked:

"What have you done to her? Is she dead?"

"God only knows," he replied dejectedly; "but I have done her no harm. I have saved her from certain death if she is not already dead."

"Go for the doctor and don't come back without him."

Her words were brief; her son might tell her what story he liked, she had already formed her own conclusion, and she mentally resolved that if Kate Lilburne died she would not in any way shield her son from the consequences of this night's work.

CHAPTER VIII.

DOUBTS AND FEARS.

Mrs. Fairfield stood calmly by the side of the girl whom she loved as if she had been her own child, and seemed to show so little emotion, and to be so passionless and so stern, her mind was in truth racked by a thousand nameless fears.

"Whatever harm he has done to you; my darling, he shall pay for and pay for dearly, and until I give you back to your father I will guard you as the apple of my eye. Though Frank is my own son, I will not spare him."

A low moan from the sufferer recalled the woman to the necessity of putting Kate to bed, and she went about her difficult task gently and tenderly, as though the tall graceful girl now hovering between life and death were still the pretty baby whom she had fed from her own breast and dandled upon her knee in the years gone by.

Mrs. Fairfield had often reproached herself with loving her foster-child Kate Lilburne better even than she loved her own son; but that she really did so there could be no doubt, for Kate had filled the place in her heart which had been made void by the death of her youngest child, a baby-girl, who died when she was but a few weeks old, and the little heiress had been given to her to love and cherish, and had clung to her as her own infant might have done.

But the high-born little maiden, with her beauty and grace and her gentle ways, was like a princess to the woman whose previous experience of children had been among the rough ruddy boys and girls of her own class, and Nurse Fairfield almost worshipped the child committed to her care.

Frank was a boy for any mother to be proud of, Mrs. Fairfield was told on every side, and Mr. Lilburne himself had been heard more than once to express the wish that Frank was his own son.

All this was gratifying, no doubt, but the woman's heart clung most to her nursling, and when, as the years went by, and Frank's mad infatuation for Kate made Mr. Lilburne decide to purchase a partnership for him and pension off his mother, the latter resented the well-meant kindness, and blamed her own offspring for the wrong which she considered he had done her.

She was a little angry with Kate also for parting with her so readily after so many years of faithful service and loving devotion, and she had in consequence declined more than one invitation to the castle since she came to live in this out-of-the-way cottage.

But all her resentment vanished at the sight of the fair girl who looked like a broken lily, and on whose face were stains of blood which had trickled down from the wound on her head.

The situation, was agonising, and but for the anxiety she felt at Kate's still unconscious condition, and the dread she had of making bad matters worse, she would at once have started for Silverton Castle, and would have entreated its owner to come without a moment's delay to his suffering child.

It seemed a long time before Frank returned with the surgeon, who found the still unconscious girl undressed and in bed, and giving no sign of life beyond an occasional low faint moan.

Her white satin dress and everything she had worn that evening had been carefully put out of sight, and there was nothing about her to indicate she was not Mrs. Fairfield's daughter.

The doctor examined her, believing the story told him that she had been thrown from a gig.

"There are no bones broken," he said at length; "but I am afraid that her head has been seriously injured. A part of the skull is pressing upon the brain, and though she may regain her bodily health, I very much fear her reason will be permanently affected. But I will come again in the morning."

Frank clasped his hands in despair when Mr. Kemble repeated this opinion to him.

Judging by his own feelings he felt that death would be ten thousand times preferable to madness.

He showed the doctor out of the house, repressing his emotion as far as possible, but when the front door was closed he did not dare to go near the chamber in which were his mother and poor Kate.

When his mother at length appeared, she found him so nearly unconscious that she thought for a time that she was going to have two invalids upon her hands instead of one.

Judging that he was suffering from exhaustion as much as anything, she made him swallow an egg beaten up in brandy and milk, and when he had slightly recovered she said sternly:

"You must make an effort to rouse yourself to meet the trouble you have brought upon us. Tell me, in as few words as possible, what has happened, for I mean to send for Mr. Lilburne at once."

Her cold hard words seemed to give him a fictitious strength, and he told her the story of his adventure and of his night's work, being careful alike to avoid excuse and exaggeration.

"And what business had you outside Silverton Castle at such a time?" she demanded sharply.

"I only went to catch one glimpse of Kate," he replied humbly.

"Catch a glimpse of Kate!" she repeated with disdain. "Who do you think will ever believe that you spent whole hours in the cold and the dark with no other motive than that?" she demanded.

"Evidently you do not," he retorted, stung by her tone and manner.

"No, I don't," was the emphatic response.

"Then it is useless my trying to convince you," he returned.

"Quite useless; and as for any secret passage or staircase that leads into the castle, it's very strange that I should have lived at Silverton all those years and never heard of anything of the kind. I should mighty like to see if it is there."

"You can easily do that," he replied calmly. "I found the place out many years ago, and have gone in and out that way at night hundreds of times."

"And yet no living soul besides yourself knew of it?" she asked with increased suspicion.

"Yes; Miss Grace knew of it. I showed her the hole in the floor once, and threatened to throw her down if she watched me and told tales about me again. I frightened my lady, I can tell you, and I remember the look of mingled horror and wonder in her eyes when I pressed the spring and made the floor slide back into its place."

"Miss Grace," repeated Mrs. Fairfield thoughtfully. "No; this isn't her work; but she may have told somebody else how to open the place through which you say Kate fell. She or somebody else might have been showing the place to Kate herself."

But Frank shook his head as he said:

"It could not have been an accident or the place would not have been covered in directly Kate fell. The false floor does not open nor shut easily, the spring needs a good deal of pressure, and could never have closed by accident."

"What do you propose to do?" was the mother's next question.

"That I don't know," he replied dejectedly. "It is not for myself that I hesitate," he added, seeing the look of impatient anger gathering on his mother's face; "but the consideration that kept me from raising an alarm when Kate fell at my feet is equally strong now. To give Kate to her father is, perhaps, to give her back to the mercy of the person who tried to destroy her."

"Good Heavens! you don't suspect her father of having tried to murder her, do you?" exclaimed Mrs. Fairfield in horrified amazement.

"I suspect no single person," he replied evasively; "but that somebody did try to destroy Kate's life, and that the same man or woman believes her to be lying at the bottom of the shaft down which she fell, there can be no doubt whatever. I expected that Kate would be able to tell us who took her to that little room, but the doctor has dashed that hope to the ground."

"There is another view of the matter which you don't seem to have thought about," his mother said severely. "It would have been bad enough for any man to have brought Kate from her father's roof in the middle of the night; but for you to have done it was only to bring suspicion upon you and disgrace upon her."

"Oh yes; I have thought of all that," he replied bitterly; "but when life is at stake one forgets what malicious tongues may say about one's actions."

Mrs. Fairfield rose to her feet, remarking emphatically:

"Well, if you won't go to Mr. Lilburne and tell him what has happened, I will."

"Very well," he returned resignedly; "do as you think best. I am willing to suffer any penalty for what I have done that the severest judge can inflict upon me, only remember, mother, that Kate's life is at stake."

"Kate's life!"

The two words took all the temporary courage out of the nurse, and made her weak and vacillating as her son.

"What would you have me do?" she asked.

"If you have the nerve to go to Silverton Castle as though nothing had happened and ask to see Kate, and listen to all they can tell you, and then act upon your own judgment as to what is best for her," he replied, "then I should say do it."

"No; if what you have told me is true I should break down," was her shuddering reply; "and if it is not true——"

She paused, and he repeated her words questioningly.

"If it is not true! Do you doubt me?"

She made no direct reply, but said evasively:

"You had better go to Mr. Lilburne; it is your duty, not mine, to do so."

"No," he answered; "I will wait and see if Kate gets better. When her reason returns there will be no more cause for anxiety. No; I won't go. I will wait."

His mother said no more, but left him, for at heart she was as unable to come to any decision as he was.

As day after day, and week after week went by, however, the doctor's fear became a sad reality.

Kate's body recovered from the shock it had received, and she grew strong, and able to eat and drink and walk about like a person in ordinary health.

Mentally, however, she was little better than an idiot; she had no memory, and no intellectual consciousness; her reasoning faculties were dead or dormant, and the doctor who attended her shook his head when Fairfield suggested an operation to remove the pressure on the brain.

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World's Women.

The late Mrs. George Bancroft, who died at the age of eighty-two, was the daughter of John Davis, first Judge of the United States Court for the District of Massachusetts, appointed by President Washington. Her first husband was Mr. Bliss, the law partner of Daniel Webster.

Mrs. J. R. Shoffener, of Greensboro, N. C., having recently given birth to twin boys, making eleven boys in all, in her family, the North State has put her on its free list, and offers the same premium to every "daughter of Guilford County who presents her husband with male twins."

It is said that Mrs. G. L. Lorillard intends to follow the example of Duchess of Montrose in England and keep a racing stable. She has permitted the trainer to make engagements for her horses under the name of "The Locusts Stables."

Bianca Donatio, who a short time ago enchanted the Berlin public with her beautiful voice and fine fioraturas, after meeting her last engagement at Florence has entered a convent at Turin.

In 1950, it is asserted by court prophets, the entire House of Lords will be bossed by American heiresses, provided it lives as long.

A paper has been started in Henderson, North Carolina, with a woman at its head, and to which the contributors are Southern women only.

Mrs. Jeanie Lind Goldschmidt confesses that she has kept her vocal organs in tune for twenty-five years by yelling at her children.

Miss Edith Ingalls, a niece of the eloquent Kansas Senator, is a teacher in the public schools of Louisville.

Jennie June says that "low necks are as full dress for ladies as swallow-tails are for gents."

Three weekly newspapers in Georgia are edited by women.

The colleges of the country contain eighteen thousand female students.

PROTECTING MILLIONAIRES.

How Our Richest Men are Defended.

The private service for the protection of the Vanderbilts, Astors, and Goulds was organized three years ago, and is ostensibly separate for each family, though the men who defend the Vanderbilts and Astors are provided by the same establishment, and practically work together.

Patrol duty is done, says a New York correspondent of the Indianapolis Journal, night and day, and twenty detectives are exclusively employed for the purpose.

There are four Astor residences and five belonging to the Vanderbilts, all in or close to Fifth Avenue, between Thirty-third and Fifty-second streets.

The spies are on watch eight hours each per day, and the beats are so arranged that the nine houses cannot be approached unseen by one or more of the guardsmen.

William H. Vanderbilt was the originator of this system, and he was inclined to it by the large number of cranky letters which he received. He professed to have no fear of rational evil doers, but was apprehensive that maniacs might attack him or some member of his family.

Since his death the mails have been laden with all sorts of appeals, demands and threats directed to his sons.

Jay Gould's self-protection is more secret and characteristic. He does not entrust it to a detective agency, but hires his own body-guard. For years he has been always accompanied by a stalwart young fellow. But that is a safeguard against Wall street enemies.

Cranks who might cut up capers in or around his home are under the view of spies, whose quarters are in a room of the Windsor Hotel across the way. That is additional to patrol duty done by a separate set of men.

These employees of the millionaire families, whose names are poor people's synonyms for wealth, are kept informed as to every new demonstration by a crank, and they are alert to descry and drive off the monomaniacs who attempt any exploits.

During the Western strikes Jay Gould made the trips between his home and office in a cab, instead of Elevated car, as formerly, and it was observed that a ring at his bell brought a sauntering watchman to the foot of the steps about as quickly as it did the servant to the top.

One of the defenses in Gould's case is against those who would write antagonistic sentiments with chalk on his sidewalk and steps. Men and boys are frequently caught at it and compelled to desist.

A specimen of that class of revolutionists seems to be a poet, and a wild one, judging by the description of him. His chalk was bright red, and he rapidly wrote:

"The rich may shirk,
The poor must work"—

before he was collared; and then, as though determined that at least the terminal rhymes of his verse should be emblazoned, he added at what would have been the end of the third line, "labor," and right underneath "neighbor."

The rest remains unknown.

A HISTORIC OLD HOUSE.

Built a Century Before the Revolution.

At the foot of Webster avenue, Ravenswood, Long Island City, stands an ancient Dutch manor house, the property of Dr. Woodhull, of Brooklyn.

The house was built in 1669, five years after the retirement of Peter Stuyvesant, the last Dutch Governor of the Province of New York. During the Revolutionary war this house was one of the outposts of the British army of occupancy under Sir Henry Clinton, and was occupied as headquarters by Lord Rawdon, afterwards the Marquis of Hastings.

In the yard are the remains of an old block-house, built for protection from the Indians, and antedating the old house by years.

In this house Washington Irving wrote his Knickerbocker's History of New York. Later Fenimore Cooper visited the place, and while there wrote The Water Witch. The scene of the celebrated chase of the Water Witch by the British gunboat was laid in the East River.

The old house is characteristically Dutch, with low ceilings, and nothing of the imposing aspect which is noticeable among mansions that were built in the Colonial period. Comfort, not style, appears to have been the object of the builder. The stones of the wall have darkened with age, and the brick work and many of the oak beams begin to show signs of decay.

On the heavy iron front door is the crow's foot cut by the British on all property confiscated from the rebels. This door is as old as the house itself, and so is the great heavy iron knocker, which has thumped more than once under the hand of Peter Stuyvesant, Sir Henry Clinton, Irving, Cooper and a host of others long ago in their graves.

The door is the property of the Long Island Historical Society, which also owns the fireplace, a veritable curiosity. The immense chimney leading therefrom is almost large enough for a person to drive a team of horses through.

Across the fireplace is still stretched a long iron pole, suspended from which are iron rings, used for holding pots and kettles, and roasting meat.

The original proprietor was John Manning, a friend of Gov. Stuyvesant. The Blackwells, who were the owners of Blackwell's Island, came into possession of the property through intermarriage or descent. One Col. Blackwell served in the American army during the Revolution. From him the property was taken by the Crown. Col. Gibbs obtained the property from the Blackwells, and Gen. Hughes was the next owner, and the Woodhulls succeeded.

Until within five years, the house has always remained a private residence. It is now rented and kept as a public house.

In the Club Window.

"Pretty girl that."

"Yaas."

"She looked at you as if she knew you."

"Yaas."

"Does she?"

"Well, the fact is, me boy, she's my sistaw. But she mawied a fellaw that wuns a staw, aw something of that sawt, and they live in a bawding house, so I cawnt affawd to wecognize her in public. But I always send her my cawd at New Yeah's. Paw girl! She has been foolish wathaw than cwiminal, don't chew know."

Cambria Freeman.

EBENSBURG, PA.,
FRIDAY, - - - AUGUST 27, 1886.

DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

FOR GOVERNOR,
CHAUNCEY F. BLACK, of York.

FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR,
R. BRUCE RICKETTS, of Luzerne.

FOR SECRETARY INTERNAL AFFAIRS,
J. SIMPSON AFRICA, of Huntingdon.

FOR AUDITOR GENERAL,
WILLIAM J. BRENNEN, Allegheny.

FOR CONGRESSMAN-AT-LARGE,
MAXWELL STEVENSON, Philad'a.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

FOR CONGRESS:
THOMAS COLLINS,

FOR ASSEMBLY:
DANIEL McLAUGHLIN, Johnstown.
JOHN S. RHEY, Ebensburg.

FOR PROTHONOTARY:
H. A. SHOEMAKER, Ebensburg.

FOR REGISTER AND RECORDER:
CELESTINE J. BLAIR, Ebensburg.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY:
H. G. ROSE, Johnstown.

FOR POOR HOUSE DIRECTOR:
JACOB SHAFER, Allegheny Twp.

GLADSTONE will never give up the struggle for home rule in Ireland. In an address which he delivered at Chiselhurst, England, on Monday last, he said: "The enthusiasm of the British friends of the home rule idea is an incentive to me never to be beaten in it, but to continue the struggle for the happiness of Ireland. Although there have been prejudices between Great Britain and Ireland, the fact that in the recent electoral contest 1,400,000 Englishmen and Scotchmen polled votes in behalf of Ireland, shows that prejudice is fast disappearing. Let men consult any book or nation in the world, and they will not find one that does not say that the relations between England and Ireland under the Union have been miserable for Ireland and dishonorable to England. If the country desires to redeem her honor, and enable her Parliament to attend to its pressing business of imperial legislation, the Irish question must be settled."

W. U. HENSEL, one of the owners and proprietors of the Daily Lancaster *Intelligencer*, and who is also Chairman of the Democratic State Committee, has sold his half interest in that newspaper establishment to Richard M. Reilly and Robert Clark, both of whom for a long time have been identified with its editorial management and business direction. In making this announcement on Saturday last, the *Intelligencer* states that from then until the day of the November election, Mr. Hensel will devote himself exclusively to the management of the Democratic campaign. He has been connected with the *Intelligencer* for over twelve years, is one of the ablest and most vigorous writers in the State, and if he has concluded to retire permanently from journalistic life, as we trust he has not, his hosts of friends and admirers everywhere will sincerely regret to part with so bright an ornament of the profession.

AN immense picnic of the Knights of Labor was held at Wilkesbarre on Monday last, at which Mr. Powderly made an address in which he strongly denounced the rioting and violence carried in the name of the Knights of Labor.—He declared emphatically that he was not a candidate for any political office and would not accept the highest office in the United States if it were offered to him. He also said: "The Anarchists will never obtain a foothold in the Knights of Labor. Anarchy is destructive to civil liberty, and no honest workingman can afford to identify himself with an organization which has for its object the destruction of life and property. The principles of the Knights of Labor are grand principles, and no citizen need be ashamed of them."

IT is announced that Galusha A. Grow will open the Republican campaign at Erie on the 5th of September. Galusha is always opening Republican campaigns and if the campaign is successful and a United States Senator is to be elected at the succeeding session of the legislature, it can be set down with absolute certainty that he will turn up as an aspirant for that position. If he is defeated, as he always is, he at once begins preparing himself to open the next campaign. It will always be thus with Galusha, and if the Republican youngster of 1886 lives until the year 1900 when he will be ready to cast his first vote, he will read in the then organs of his party that Galusha A. Grow will open the Republican campaign of that year, provided always that the Republican party is then in existence.

WHAT a singularly honest and proper man William A. Wallace has become in the estimation of Republican newspaper editors since his defeat at the Democratic State Convention last week? Owing to Mr. Wallace's long and prominent connection with legislation as a member of the State Senate, it is as certain as that the sun will rise to-morrow morning that if he had been nominated he would have been denounced and misrepresented by the Republican press from one end of the State to the other. In anticipation of his candidacy Cooper had his artillery loaded to the muzzle and would have opened fire upon him all along the Republican line. The old charge against Wallace of having manufactured coffee pot stained naturalization papers and supplied them to foreigners in order to enable them to vote would have been revived, although the late H. Bucher Swope who maliciously started the lie for his own purposes, admitted before he died that Wallace had nothing to do with the fraud. And the "Ten Million bill" which was vetoed by Gov. Geary, but for which Wallace voted, would have been harped upon and misrepresented in a dozen different ways. Wallace, however, wasn't nominated, and now Cooper is in a peck of trouble to find out what he must say to prevent Black's election.

"THERE is no honor in any official position, however exalted it may be, whenever it is secured or maintained at the expense of personal or political independence." This was said by Hon. John. G. Carlisle, Speaker of the House of Representatives, at an ovation given him by his friends and neighbors on his return to his Kentucky home. It is a reproach that other statesmen in Congress can't set up for themselves as high a standard of conduct as Mr. Carlisle prescribes for himself, and up to which he has scrupulously lived. There is no more high minded or honorable man now in public life than John G. Carlisle, nor one who is more absolutely free from all the low arts of the political demagogue.

A. K. CUTTING, the El Paso, Texas, editor, who has acquired notoriety enough during the last month to last him during the balance of his natural life, was released from his Mexican prison by a decree of the Supreme Court of the State of Chihuahua, on Monday last. The Court expressly reaffirmed the right of Mexico to try an offense committed in the United States, and therefore the status of the case as an international question is not in the least altered by his release, but will be disposed of by the two governments when the question of indemnity comes up. Cutting thinks that *ten* thousand dollars in Mexican coin would appease his wounded feelings. We suppose it will if he is ever lucky enough to get it. The bill, however, seems very steep.

THE Irish National League which met at Chicago on Wednesday of last week, adjourned finally on Friday evening. Upwards of a thousand delegates were present, and its deliberations were orderly and harmonious. Ex-Congressman John F. Finerty, of Chicago, who cherishes the preposterous notion that the woes of Ireland can be more certainly remedied by physical force than by peaceable methods and moral power, created some excitement in the Convention by an attempt to ventilate his peculiar views, but a few calm, well directed words from Michael Davitt, who is supposed to know a great deal about the wrongs of Ireland as well as the surest and most feasible way of curing them, quickly suppressed him.—Finerty, like other impetuous, hotheaded Irishmen, means well, but lacks sound judgment and discretion, and wants to accomplish the common purpose of all the true friends of Ireland by means that are visionary and utterly impossible to the one supreme end to be attained. A firm but respectfully worded platform was adopted, and the policy of Mr. Parnell and Gladstone in dealing with the Irish question was unanimously endorsed. On the second day of the convention Mr. John Redmond, one of the three Irish Parliamentary delegates, delivered a most eloquent and impassioned address which we will publish next week. He is a fine type of the brilliant coterie of men who led the 'Young Ireland Party' in the unsuccessful revolt of 1848, and whose eloquent appeals in behalf of justice to Ireland as well as their withering denunciations of English misrule and oppression are so well remembered. Mr. Egan, the President of the League, positively declined a re-election, and Judge John E. Fitzgerald, of Nebraska, was chosen as his successor. He is a very wealthy man, is President of four National Banks, and the largest railroad contractor in the West. The report of the treasurer of the League which was submitted to the Convention, shows that during the past two years three hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars have been sent to Ireland, and when we consider the aid sent through other channels it is safe to estimate that during the last six years a million of dollars has been subscribed in this country in behalf of the Irish National movement.

THE contest at the Democratic State Convention which met in Harrisburg last week between the two rival candidates for the nomination for Governor, William A. Wallace and Chauncey F. Black, resulted in the nomination of the latter namnd gentleman on the first ballot. It is not at all necessary that we should enter at length into a discussion of Mr. Black's fitness and competency for a faithful and satisfactory discharge of the duties of the high office for which he has been nominated over so well known and distinguished a competitor as William A. Wallace, for whom the Democracy of Cambria have always cherished a warm feeling of confidence and respect since the time they first aided in sending him to the State Senate in 1863. Mr. Black, as our readers know, is the present Lieutenant Governor of the State, to which position he was elected on the same ticket with Governor Pattison in 1882. He is a son of Jeremiah S. Black, that grand old Democrat and giant in intellect, who first saw the light of day among the "glades" of our adjoining county, Somerset, and whose greatness as a lawyer and political writer at the time of his death three years ago was acknowledged and confessed by every reading and thinking man throughout the land.—Chauncey F. Black inherits many of the solid intellectual qualities of his father and like him his devotion to the Democratic creed taught by Thomas Jefferson is as fixed and immovable as a mountain. The last great speech his father ever made was when he appeared before a Committee of the State Senate in 1883 to submit an argument in favor of legislation to enforce the provisions of the XVIIth article of the Constitution in regard to railroads as common carriers. In this respect his son has walked in his footsteps and will continue to walk in them simply because the Constitution of the State so ordains. Mr. Black is a man of reading and culture and well trained in political knowledge. His personal integrity has never been assailed nor has aught that is dishonorable ever been alleged against him. Being exceptionally well qualified for the office of Governor the State Convention has presented his name to the people with its full and hearty endorsement. He deserves to be elected, and will be if the friends of a neglected and violated Constitution throughout the State come to its rescue and fearlessly discharge their duty at the ballot box.

BLACK NOMINATED!

RICKETTS, STEVENSON, AFRICA & BRENNEN.

An Enthusiastic Convention, and a Powerful Ticket Nominated!

The Democratic State convention was held in Harrisburg on Wednesday of last week, and the Opera House was never more densely packed. From the pit to the gallery almost every inch of available space was occupied. The aisles and lobbies were crowded, and hundreds were unable to gain admittance. The large assemblage was rapped to order at 10.30 o'clock by Chairman Hensel. Hon. R. Milton Speer, of Huntingdon, nominated ex-Judge M. C. Herman, of Cumberland county, for temporary chairman. He was unanimously elected. After the transaction of the usual routine business, the convention adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock. Upon reconvening, the committee on permanent organization reported, recommending Congressman-at-large Mortimer F. Elliott, of Tioga county, for chairman, with a vice president from every senatorial district in the state. The report of the committee on resolutions was presented, after some delay, and its reading provoked frequent outbursts of hearty applause. Gubernatorial nominations were then agreed upon, and L. F. Holtzman nominated Presley N. Guthrie, of Allegheny; Hon. B. F. Myers in an earnest address, nominated Col. Harry McCormick, of Harrisburg; Hon. R. M. Speer, of Huntingdon, nominated Hon. William A. Wallace; Arthur G. Dewalt nominated Robert Emmet Wright, of Lehigh; Hon. Joseph Cummings nominated Hon. Simon P. Wolverton, of Northumberland; Mr. Joseph S. Robertson nominated Robert S. Dechert, of Philadelphia. York county, coming in alphabetical order, was called last, and upon the announcement of that name, Hon. Levi Maish nominated Hon. Chauncey F. Black.—Only one ballot was necessary, and the vote was as follows:

Black	168.
Wallace	127.
McCormick	29.
Wright	16.
Wolverton	9.
Guthrie	5.
Dechert	2.

Before the vote was announced, delegates began to change their votes from all the different candidates (excepting Wallace) to Black, and as only 180 votes were required to nominate, that number was soon secured. When the result of the voting was finally made known, Black had 193 and Wallace 129. Great excitement and cheering ensued and lasted for several minutes. On motion of Mr. Speer, the nomination of Black was made unanimous.

The attempt and failure to adjourn at this juncture until 7:30 o'clock, was followed by the placing in nomination of candidates for lieutenant governor.—The nominees were Humphrey D. Tate, of Bedford; Col. R. Bruce Ricketts, of Luzerne; and R. E. Wright, of Lehigh. The convention then adjourned until 8 o'clock.

Immediately upon reconvening at that hour the convention proceeded to ballot for the candidates for lieutenant governor. The tide having irresistibly set in favor of Ricketts, and his nomination overwhelmingly assured, the other candidates were withdrawn, and he was nominated by acclamation and a rising vote.

Maxwell Stevenson, of Philadelphia, was nominated for congressman-at-large by acclamation.

Hon. J. Simpson Africa was nominated for secretary of internal affairs by acclamation.

William J. Brennan, of Allegheny; J. Harvey Cooper, of Lawrence, and "Fighting Dick" Coulter, of Westmoreland, were placed in nomination for auditor general. Mr. Coulter being present, declined to permit his name to go before the convention as a candidate. The name of Cooper was also withdrawn, and the nomination of Brennan followed by acclamation. After tendering a unanimous vote of thanks to the presiding officers of the convention for the able and impartial manner in which their trying duties had been discharged, the convention adjourned sine die.

The Platform.

The following is the platform as adopted:

1. The democracy of Pennsylvania, in convention assembled, do declare that we reaffirm the Chicago platform of 1884, approved by the people in the election of Cleveland and Hendricks; that we favor a just and fair revision of the revenue laws in accordance with the letter and spirit of that declaration of democratic principles, and in such revision care should be taken that such changes shall be made in a spirit of fairness to all interests, and without depriving American labor of the ability to successfully compete with foreign labor, and without imposing lower rates of duty than will be ample to cover any increased cost of production which may exist in consequence of the higher rate of wages prevailing in this community.

2. That we endorse the democratic reform administration of President Cleveland. It has given confidence to the business industries of the country, purged the departments of corruption, checked extravagances, discouraged class legislation and monopolies, elevated the civil service from the partisan debasement to which it had been reduced by previous administrations, and has made the people of the United States feel an assured confidence in the perpetuity and safety of the nation.

3. That we endorse the democratic reform administration of Governor Pattison. It has rescued the commonwealth from flagrant corruption, vigilantly guarded the public treasury, scrupulously protected the rights of the people, economically administered the government, earnestly endeavored to enforce every provision of the constitution, reformed the management of state institutions, exposed and corrected abuse in the soldiers' orphans' schools, redeemed the pardon board from scandals, and executed all promises made by the candidates and party in 1882.

4. That we sympathize with labor in its efforts to make industrial and moral worth, not money, the true standard of individual and national greatness, and to secure to the workers the full enjoyment of the wealth they create, and sufficient leisure in which to develop their intellectual, moral and social faculties; to this end we desire the enlargement of the bureau of statistics, the abrogation of all laws that do not bear equally upon capital and labor, and the prevention of the hiring out of convict labor; the adoption of measures providing for the health and safety and indemnification of injuries to those engaged in mining, manufacturing and building industries; the enactment of laws by which labor organizations may be incorporated, and arbitration extended and enforced, and a suitable apprenticeship act for the purpose of creating a better class of artisans and mechanics; the prohibition of the employment of children under 14 years of age in workshops, mines and factories; the strict and exact enforcement of the laws relating to pluck-me stores and store orders and those relating to the accounting of industrial works; the appointment of inspectors to carry out these provisions, and a rigid enforcement of existing emigration laws, and exclude pauper, contract and assisted emigration.

5. That we pledge ourselves to the enforcement of articles 16 and 17 of the state constitution, relative to private corporations, railroads and canals, by appropriate legislation.

6. That the state and local tax laws should be so altered and amended as to relieve farms and real estate from the present unfair and large proportion of taxation, and equalize the same so that personal estate would be made to pay its just part.

RESOLVED, That we lament the death of the democratic leaders who upheld their political principles through years of distrust, injustice and wrong. Death does not dissolve the tie with which their virtues bound us. Our party's inspirations and hope come from the memory of lives and labors given to the service of our country. We lament the death of him whose life was happily prolonged until the wrong done in 1876 was made right, the Vice President, Thomas A. Hendricks, From democratic councils has been taken the presence but not the influence of the purity of character, the lofty patriotism of the beloved soldier and citizen, George B. McClellan. We mourn the loss of the venerable statesman who elevated his party with the wisdom and integrity of Horatio Seymour. We know how Pennsylvania grieved for Winfield Scott Hancock. We cherish the memory of him in the shadow of whose death we meet and the sentiment which was adopted by a national convention of our party gives him the best homage of freemen—the pledge of our devotion to the principles and cause now inseparable in the history of the Republic from the labors and name of Samuel J. Tilden.

Sketches of the Candidates.

Hon. Chauncey Forward Black, the nominee for Governor, was born at Somerset, in this state, in November, 1839. He was educated at the Monongahela Academy, in West Virginia, and afterwards attended Jefferson College, in Washington county. He was under instructions at Hiram College at the time the late President Garfield was a student there. He studied law with his father, the late Judge Jeremiah S. Black, and was admitted to the bar in 1861, but abandoned his profession a few years later, and took to literary work. He became a regular writer on the New York *Sun*, and his articles on Pennsylvania politics were widely read. He was an aspirant for the nomination as Congressman in the York and Cumberland district in 1874, but was defeated by Hon. Levi Maish, the gentleman who placed him in nomination for Lieutenant Governor in the State Convention of 1882. At that Convention he received 175½ votes, and 73½ were cast for G. H. Irwin, of Dauphin. He was a member of the Cincinnati Convention in 1880, and at first voted for Judge Field, but afterward changed his vote in favor of Gen. Hancock. He is at present Lieutenant Governor of the State, and resides at York.

Col. R. Bruce Ricketts, who was named by the Convention for Lieutenant Governor, was born in Orangeville, Columbia county, Pa., on April 29, 1839.—He was educated at the Wyoming Seminary, Wilkes-Barre. At the breaking out of the rebellion he was mustered in as a member of Battery F, First Pennsylvania Artillery (Forty-third Regt.) on July 8, 1861, and promoted to be First Lieutenant on August 5, 1861; to Captain on May 8, 1863; to Major on December 1, 1864, and to Colonel on March 15, 1865. At the close of the war he returned to Wilkes-Barre, and has since been engaged there managing his lumber business. He has always been an active Democrat, but has never held office.

S. Simpson Africa, who was nominated for Secretary of Internal Affairs, was born in 1832 in Huntingdon, where he still resides. After completing his education at the Huntingdon Academy, he adopted the profession of a civil engineer and surveyor, which he followed up to the time he entered public life.—He served as one of the clerks of the Senate during the sessions of 1858 and 1859, and in October, 1859, he was elected to the House of Representatives from Huntingdon over the Republican nominee. In May, 1875, he was appointed Deputy Secretary of Internal Affairs, and upon him fell the labor of organizing the new department of Internal Affairs created by the constitution of 1873. In May, 1878, he was nominated as General M'Candless' successor by the Democratic Convention, but was defeated by Col. A. K. Dunkel, of Harrisburg. In June, 1882, he was again placed on the Democratic ticket for the office of Secretary of Internal Affairs by acclamation, and this time he was elected.

William J. Brennan, of Allegheny county, the nominee for Auditor General, is about 37 years of age, and is a self-made man. He learned the trade of machinist, studied law, and was admitted to the bar about five years ago. He resides in Pittsburg. Brennan has been a candidate for the Legislature, is Chairman of the Democratic County Convention, and a member of the State Committee.

Maxwell Stevenson, the nominee for Congressman-at-large, represents the labor interests. He was born near Londonderry, Ireland, on February 1, 1847, and was brought to Philadelphia when 5 years of age. Seven years later he left the Jackson Grammar School, and went to work on a farm in the southern part of the city. He afterward worked as errand-boy, and then conducted a news stand, establishing a newspaper route at the same time. He afterwards secured a business education, and obtained a position as clerk, but soon after began the study of law with E. Coppee Mitchell, and afterwards with the late Judge Pratt. He was admitted to the bar in 1874, since which time he has always been prominently identified with the cause of organized labor.

MESSRS. O'BRIEN, DEASY AND REDMOND, the Irish Parliamentary delegates to the National League Convention at Chicago, sailed from New York for home on Tuesday last.

FRANCIS MURPHY, the able and successful temperance reformer, puts a wonderful amount of truth in a nutshell when he said in a recent address: "The political third party has not got a man to sign a pledge that I know of. I regard the Prohibition nominations as so many obstacles to true temperance reform."

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—A corporation has been organized in Brooklyn, New York, for the prevention of premature burials. It is proposed to construct a large receptacle, where bodies may be deposited until the fact of the death has been demonstrated beyond dispute. Medical aid will be at hand in event of resuscitation.

NEWS AND OTHER NOTINGS.

—Two million dollars worth of business property was destroyed by fire in San Francisco on Saturday night.

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—A little tornado whirled through Goldsboro, N. C., the other day and finding the front door of a fine residence open, dashed into the house, gathered up a lot of furniture, burst open a rear door, and flung the whole lot in a heap in the back yard.

—With your next order to your grocer, send for sample pound of Dreydoppel's Borax Soap. You will find it to be the best and cheapest soap you ever used. It is used by the best families in Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington.

—While a circus was parading in Kingston Canada, recently, a wagon containing a den of lions was overturned and the top of the pen knocked off. A fire was built around the cage to keep the lions in until repairs were made, and then the wagon was righted by the aid of two elephants.

—"The women appear to do all the work," writes Colonel Watterson of the Swiss. It is not uncommon to see a girl and a dog hitched to a cart and trotting along together like a pair of ponies. The men, great strapping fellows, idle and lazy, loaf about the basseries. Their wives, daughters and sisters till the fields and supply the markets.

—Senora Dolores Fosta, widow of the famous Mexican general, Santa Anna, is dead. She was a woman of strong character and had lived in retirement since the death of her husband. She was about 49 years of age. Her husband was President of Mexico three years before she was born and she was married to him when she was 13 years old.

—The Holstein cow Clothilde, owned by Smiths, Powell and Lamb, of Syracuse, N. Y., closed her six-year-old record on Tuesday night of last week. She has given during that time a little more than 26,000 pounds of milk, or about seventy pounds a day. The highest previous record was 24,775 pounds, made three years ago by the cow "Echo" owned in Utica, N. Y.

—At the Mechernich Lead Works in Germany the tallest chimney in the world has recently been completed. It is 440 feet high, six feet more than the famous chimney of the St. Rollox Chemical Works, near Glasgow, Scotland, which, until the German one was built, was without a rival. The flue of the Mechernich chimney is 11½ feet in diameter at the bottom and 10 feet at the top.

—The strongest wood in the United States according to Professor Sargent, is the nutmeg hickory of the Arkansas region, and the weakest the West Indian birch. The most elastic is the tamarack, the white or shell bark hickory standing far below it. The least elastic and the lowest specific gravity, upon which in general depends value as fuel, is attained by the blue wood of Arizona.

—A little elephant in a traveling menagerie took a great dislike to the lion, and the other night in Vallejo, Cal., got loose, grabbed the king of beasts by a hind leg, and tried to pull him through the bars of the cage. The uproar that followed was tremendous and it required the whole of the circus force to get the little fellow away and chain him fast. The lion's leg was badly wrenched.

—Figures, which proverbially cannot lie, show that the cornfields of the United States cover a territory as large as England, Scotland, and Belgium united, while the grain fields surpass Spain in territoral extent. The acreage of our farm lands under cultivation is equal in extent to all of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, France, Belgium, Portugal, Germany, and Austro-Hungary.

—It was Henry O'Rielly, who has just died at Rochester, N. Y. that a New Jersey railroad, 40 years ago, refused permission to erect posts and build a line of telegraph along its road between Philadelphia and New York. The frank and absurb reason given was that "the telegraph would interfere with travel, by enaling persons to transact business by its means instead of using the railroad."

—Mr. Keyser, of Geneseo, Ill., it is related while floating down the Illinois river in a flatboat, went to sleep one night leaving a stout fishing line dangling in the water. The next morning he was astonished to find that the boat was fifteen miles higher up the river than it was the night before. The mystery was explained when he looked in front of the boat and saw a monster catfish fast to his line and making rapid progress up the river.

—The storm in Texas on last Friday carried death and ruin to many. Galveston suffered severely. Many families lost their all and are destitute, while others lost but a portion. It is thought by conservative men the loss will reach fully $200,000, and perhaps more. At Indianola several persons were killed and others are missing. At Victoria 75 houses were demolished and many damaged. Railroads were obstructed and telegraph wires prostrated in all directions.

—Metallic railway ties are now employed in Belgium, Holland, France, Germany, and Switzerland, and in the United States a paper tie of the hardness of stone and taking as high a polish as metal, has been patented. It is impervious to dampness, and will, it is estimated, last thirty years. The experiment with metallic ties on the Mexican railway to Vera Cruz is satisfactory. The railway tie question is one of great special interest where the climate rapidly destroys the firmest woods.

—Bishop Borgess, of Michigan, has promulgated a canon to the effect that no priest in his diocese must in future hold any political office. This, it is thought, will prevent Rev. Charles O'Reilly, of Detroit, from holding the position of Treasurer of the Irish National League. Dr. O'Reilly has not returned home from the Chicago Convention, and the report that he will now resign from the Church to engage in the practice of the law cannot be verified. A personal friend of the Doctor said that Dr. O'Reilly was contemplating such a step, as he had long aspired to political honors, which the Catholic Church forbids.

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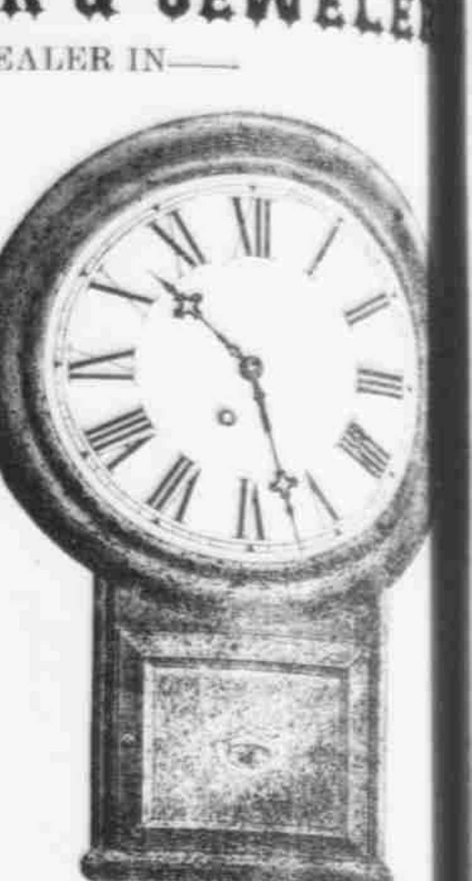

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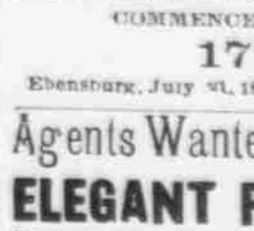

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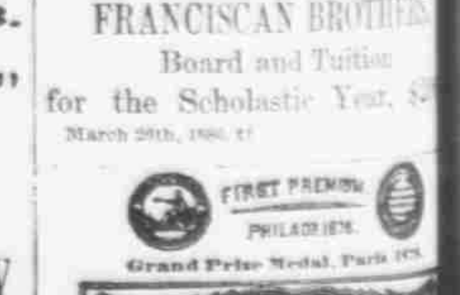

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—There are said to be over two hundred cases of typhoid fever in Pittsburg at present.

—Go to J. & H. A. Shoemaker for your tread-power threshers.

—Hon. James Flynn, of Coalport, Clearfield county, was a visitor to our town on Tuesday.

—The receipts of the Firemens' festival amounted to about $75.

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—Four sheep were killed by dogs on Saturday of last week on the farm of Mr. John Hughes, of Cambria township.

—The exact status of soda water as an electioneering factor in this county will be determined at the next election.

—The Americus cider mill can be bought very low at Huntley's Hardware store.

—Mr. R. H. Thompson, of the American Hotel, Philadelphia, paid a pop visit to his old home during the latter part of last week.

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—The force of workmen employed by Charles J. Mayor, of Johnstown, in painting the Court House completed the job on Wednesday.

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—Mr. J. C. Brown, of Lilly, paid a visit to our town on Wednesday and while here dropped in to see the FREEMAN. Call again and stay longer.

—Go to J. & H. A. Shoemaker for your sections and repairs for the Walter A. Wood mowers.

—The railroad shops at Renova have received an order from Altoona for the building of eighty-seven gondola and thirteen hopper bottom cars.

—McDonald at Loretto, Pa., wants 2,000 lbs good tub washed wool, for which he will pay cash if desired.

—Superintendent Strayer favored us with a copy of his annual report of the public schools of Cambria county, but we have been unable this week to lay it before our readers.

—The celebrated Boss grain cradles manufactured by B. C. J. McGuire, at Wilmore, for sale at Dutton's hardware store.

—Ben Bliss, agent of the Adams Express Company at Kane, has been arrested for embezzling about $1,000 of the Company's funds. A stiff game of poker is said to have caused the trouble.

—We are glad to note that William H. Sechler, Esq., who had his leg broken about four weeks ago is getting along as well as could be expected, and the injured limb is giving him but little pain.

—Go to J. & H. A. Shoemaker for your plows and repairs.

—A Williamsburg, Blair county lad, in getting on to a loaded wagon while moving, fell under the wheels which passed over him one day last week and was so badly injured that he died in a few minutes.

—Go to J. & H. A. Shoemaker for your double shovel plows, single shovel plows, road scoops, cultivators, etc.

—September 2nd is the last day for the registration of voters. Democratic Committeemen should see to it at once that every Democrat in the several townships are duly assessed and registered before that time.

—Go to J. & H. A. Shoemaker for you repairs for all kinds of mowers and reapers.

—Mr. Anthony Hanger, of Pittsburg, father of Mrs. E. B. Cresswell of this place, who is well known to a number of our citizens, is seriously ill at his home in Pittsburg with but little hope for his recovery.

—Rupture instantly relieved by the use of the celebrated Fry Truss, for sale at Davison's drug store.

—The following named persons can each get a letter by calling at the Ebensburg postoffice: Mrs Jennie Baur, Miss Armanda M. Brown, Miss Sadie E. Swank, Minnie Wolf, Dr. Davis, Mr. Rees Reese and Mr. John Stoy.

—Go to J. & H. A. Shoemaker for your sections and repairs for the Champion mowers and reapers.

—Rev. Father Clark, of Columbus, Ohio, delivered a very eloquent sermon in the Church of Holy Name, this place, on Sunday last. He succeeded Rev. R. C. Christy, deceased, as pastor of a congregation in Columbus.

—On Monday evening next, Aug. 30th, a colored theatrical troupe from Johnstown will give an entertainment in Armory Hall, in this place. They are said to be good performers. See bills and learn what they propose to do.

—Four hundred bushels of seed wheat, of the Fultz variety, for sale by the subscriber residing one mile east of Loretto.

THOMAS L. PARRISH.

—Mr. Fes Lloyd, of the *Herald*, accompanied by his wife, left on Wednesday morning to join the Juniata Editorial Association at Cresson on their annual excursion, which this year is to Cleveland, Ohio. We wish them a pleasant time.

—The banns of matrimony were published for the first time in St. Michael's church, Loretto, on Sunday last, between Mr. James Myers, formerly of the Mountain House, this place, but now of Ashville, this county, and Miss Jessie Yinger, of Loretto.

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—LOST.—A ladies' small gold hunting case watch with chain and locket was lost between Maple Park Hotel and grove behind Myers' new shool house on Tuesday, August 24, for which twenty-five dollars reward will be paid for its return to T. H. Heist.

—Judge Wickham, of Beaver county, has increased the time of study required of students for admission to the Beaver county bar from two to three years, or an equivalent to spending one year at a regular law school and two in the office of a practicing attorney. Public advertisement must be given by the student of his intention to apply for admission to practice. The object in view is to elevate the standard.

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LEAVES—NORTHWARD.

	Mail A. M.	Exp. P. M.	Mixed P. M.
Cresson,	9.10	1.45	4.32
Wildwood,	9.27	2.03	4.50
Dawson,	9.32	2.06	5.03
Amsbry,	9.42	2.17	5.14
Ashville,	9.50	2.25	5.32
Burnt Mills,	9.57	2.32	5.31
Dysarts,	10.00	2.37	5.36
Condron,	10.04	2.41	5.41
Dean,	10.08	2.45	5.46
Frugality,	10.17	2.54	5.57
Fallen Timber,	10.25	3.03	6.08
Flynn City,	10.34	3.12	6.18
Coalport,	10.43	3.22	6.30
Rosebud,	10.45	3.24	6.33
Irvona,	10.45	3.24	6.40

LEAVES SOUTHWARD.

	Mail A. M.	Exp. P. M.	Mixed A. M.
Irvona,	11.00	3.40	5.00
Rosebud,	11.05	3.46	5.08
Coalport,	11.07	3.48	5.12
Flyn City,	11.16	3.57	5.26
Fallen Timber,	11.25	4.07	5.41
Frugality,	11.33	4.15	5.54
Dean,	11.42	4.25	6.08
Condron,	11.46	4.30	6.14
Dysart,	11.50	4.33	6.21
Burnt Mills,	11.54	4.37	6.26
Ashville,	12.00	4.45	6.33
Amsbry,	12.08 P. M.	4.56	7.18
Dawson,	12.18	5.03	7.02
Wildwood,	12.23	5.07	7.07
Cresson,	12.40	5.25	7.30

—Go to J. & H. A. Shoemaker for your sections and repairs for the Tiger mowers, the John P. Manny mowers and the Johnston mowers and reapers.

—Another car-load of phosphate just arrived which is free from any make-up weights or adulterations of any kind. It has given the best of satisfaction to all who have used it. Call and get a load and you will never regret it. For sale at Huntley's.

—On Sunday Monroe Epley, a brakeman on the Cambria Iron Company's railway at Johnstown, had his right arm crushed so badly while coupling cars that it was afterwards amputated by the physicians. He is a resident of Rosedale, twenty-six years of age and married.

—Go to J. & H. A. Shoemaker to buy new mowers, reapers and twine binders. They have the best and will sell cheaper for the same quality of machines.

—Harvest home picnics are talked of in several localities. In this neighborhood, after harvest, the farmers instead of a picnic generally visit John Owens' store on High street where they buy their dry goods, dress goods, boots and shoes, groceries and provisions at bottom prices.

—Mr. Chas. Addlesburger, bartender at the Cambria House, is gaining quite a reputation as a mixer of fine drinks and makes a specialty of the new California cocktail known as "the cowboy's dream." On next Saturday evening clam soup will be served at the bar to those who feel disposed to patronize him.

—Mr. P. F. McCormick, of Minneapolis, Minn., brother of Mr. John McCormick, of Summerhill township, this county, and Miss Susie Brown, daughter of Mr. Peter Brown, of Johnstown, were married in the former place on Tuesday morning last. The newly married couple have our best wishes for future success and happiness.

—A couple of sharp rascals are doing the towns in this state taking the measure of people's feet and contracting to make them a pair of lasts from which any shoemaker can make a perfect fit. The last comes in due time for which the victim pays $5 and discovers shortly afterward that they were common affairs worth 30 cents.

—It will be several centuries yet before the people of Pennsylvania will experience a cold day for lack of fuel. According to the State geologist there is somewhere in the neighborhood of 5,000,000,000 tons of coal still unmined in this commonwealth, and that is surely enough to keep everybody warm for several centuries to come.

—From the Rock county *Weekly Herald*, published at Luverne, Minnesota, on the 13th inst we learn that Mrs. Mary A. Kennedy is seriously ill at the home of her son, Frank Kennedy, in Magnolia township. Mrs Kennedy is the mother of John A. Kennedy, Esq., formerly of this place, and a former resident of Barr township, this county.

—Drs. Davison and Griffith of this place, on Monday last performed an operation on Mr. B. F. Rosin of Pittsburg, who has been suffering for some time with Pleuro pneumonia and whose condition was very critical. The operation afforded immediate relief and he is now improving. Mr. Rosin and wife have been here for several weeks and are stopping with the Misses O'Neil.

—On last Saturday morning Andrew Sutton and W. A. Duhl jumped from a moving freight train and were struck by Johnstown Express about a mile east of Lilly. Both were badly cut up and instantly killed, Duhl's body being dragged and parts of it scattered over the track for half a mile. Both were single men, Sutton being a resident of the neighborhood, about twenty-eight years of age, and the support of a widowed mother.

—Mr. J. H. Gant, our popular tonsorial artist, presented us with a bottle of Glassmire's Hair and Toilet lotion, for which he is the agent in this place. It will allay and prevent inflammation and cure all ordinary diseases of the scalp and skin, and is a cure and preventative of dandruff. Ladies will find it an elegant thing for the toilet as it leaves the skin clear and healthy. Parties needing the lotion can be supplied by calling on Professor Gant.

—Mr. Charles B. Seeley, the well known Pittsburg Real Estate Agent, has been a guest at Maple Park since Tuesday last. It is several years since Mr. S. was here before. His father, Charles B. Seeley, was one of the early settlers of Ebensburg—was county treasurer, and lived in the house now occupied by Mrs. Hutchinson, in which Mr. Seeley was born. He was one of the earliest conductors on the Pennsylvania railroad between Pittsburg and Altoona, and has resided in Pittsburg about twenty five years.

—Mr. Jacob Nagle of Clearfield tp. a notice of whose fall from a load of hay about three weeks ago was published in our paper died on Sunday last from the injuries then received. Mr Nagle was a well known man throughout Northern Cambria, and his untimely death will be deeply regretted by his large circle of friends. We do not know his exact age, but suppose him to have been about 65. His remains were interred in the Catholic cemetery at St. Augustine, on Tuesday morning last. May his soul rest in peace.

—A recent Supreme Court decision is to the effect that in Pennsylvania a married woman cannot buy personal estate upon credit unless she is the owner of a separate estate, in which case she contracts upon the credit of such estate, and if she purchases property with borrowed money or on credit her husband's creditors may seize and sell it as his. In order to retain the property as against such creditors it is not enough that she had means to pay for it: she must prove affirmatively that her means paid for it otherwise independently of her husband.

In Holland, Mich., J. C. Doesbury publishes the *News*, and in its columns strongly recommends Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil for coughs, colds, sore throats, catarrh and asthma.

—The Hollidaysburg *Register* says on Saturday last Mr. Henry Ditzer, a resident of Juniata street, was in Bender's field at the cinder dump, and his four little children, ranging from 2 to 12 years of age, were in the same field some distance away, among some weeds, concealed from Mr. Ditzer's view.—Some pigeons flew by and Mr. Ditzer fired, missing the game but hitting each of his children in the face with the small No. 6 shot with which the gun was loaded. No serious damage was done to any of them.—Drs. Brotherlin and Irwin extracted the shot, and the little ones are getting along very well.

—On Saturday evening a horse and wagon belonging to Mr. David R. Jones, of Cambria township, which was standing hitched to a fence on Sample street, became frightened at the Ebensburg Brass Band and breaking loose, ran down Beech alley to High street and turned eastward on the pavement in front of Mr. David Evans' store where the wagon struck a tree and was badly wrecked, as were also some dishes that were in the wagon. The horse ran a short distance down High street after leaving the wagon, but was soon stopped. The horse escaped unhurt but the harness and wagon were badly used up.

—A rattlesnake having ten rattles and measuring three feet two inches in length, was killed by Mrs. Samuel Hurling at her front door a few days ago. Mrs. William Shaver was sitting on the door step not thinking of danger when she happeded to look down and saw the deadly reptile with its head nearly against her shoe. The instant she attempted to move the snake began to rattle and coiled itself for a spring. She was so much frightened that she hardly knew how she got back into the house, and she thinks she must have rolled herself into the door, but she got there very quickly, at any rate.—*Mt. Union Times.*

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PERSONAL PROPERTY VALUATION.

Returns from the Various Counties of Property Subject to the Three Mill-Tax.

The following exhibit shows the return of the valuation of personal property subject to a tax of three mills, under the revenue act of June 30, 1885, as made by the County Commissioners to the Board of Revenue Commissioners. While the total valuation is a handsome increase over the return of the same class of property for 1885, yet but little increase will be apparent in the gross revenue of the Commonwealth. This is accounted for by the reason that the rate of taxation is reduced twenty five per cent. and by the exemption of manufacturing corporations from tax. The shrinkage from these two causes will nearly overcome the increased valuation:

COUNTIES.		COUNTIES.	
Adams	$ 2,311,277 00	Lancaster	$ 24,453,695 00
Allegheny	18,506,098 00	Lawrence	1,557,139 00
Armstro'g	1,942,560 00	Lebanon	4,606,267 00
Beaver	61,663 00	Lehigh	7,504,324 00
Bedford	1,486,501 00	Luzerne	7,275,076 00
Berks	12,990,016 00	Lycoming	3,088,189 00
Blair	2,338,406 00	McKean	1,257,390 00
Bradford	3,981,942 25	Mercer	2,280,673 00
Bucks	10,793,368 36	Mifflin	1,315,705 00
Butler	1,638,016 00	Monroe	1,345,450 00
Cambria	1,661,811 00	Montgo'y	15,171,050 00
Cameron	171,577 52	Montour	830,097 00
Carbon	1,631,138 00	N'hamp'n	7,213,774 00
Centre	2,918,789 00	N'humb'd	3,985,046 00
Chester	9,774,638 00	Perry	1,322,879 00
Clarion	1,524,320 00	Philad'a	146,336,085 79
Clearfield	1,652,673 00	Pike	311,344 00
Clinton	1,135,632 00	Potter	686,803 00
Columbia	1,843,226 00	Schuylkill	3,975,765 50
Crawford	2,495,721 00	Snyder	694,100 00
Cumberl'd	3,848,979 00	Somerset	1,477,542 15
Dauphin	5,856,894 00	Sullivan	392,066 00
Delaware	7,543,791 00	Susqueh'a	1,571,885 00
Elk	369,424 00	Tioga	2,238,101 00
Erie	6,984,842 00	Union	1,735,149 00
Fayette	2,589,255 00	Venango	2,571,212 00
Forest	115,080 00	Warren	1,864,689 00
Franklin	1,240,340 00	Wash'gt'n	6,402,737 00
Fulton	458,726 00	Wayne	1,168,769 00
Greene	1,709,728 00	Westm'l'd	4,411,427 00
Hunt,gd,n	1,744,999 00	Wyoming	932,353 00
Indiana	1,189,469 00	York	9,031,345 00
Jefferson	1,008,998 00		
Juniata	781,230 00	Total	$386,149,417 71
Lackawa'a	No return.		

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Terrible Death of an Altoona Woman.

Pauline Watcher, wife of Mr. Peter Watcher, of Altoona, was struck by the engine attached to Seashore Express near McGarvey's station, on the Pennsylvania railroad, on Tuesday morning about half past six o'clock and instantly killed. The unfortunate woman, in company with her sister and another lady, had left home early in the morning for the purpose of picking blackberries, and walked up the railroad track to the point where the accident happened. There they stepped off the south track to avoid an approaching freight train, and stepped on to the north track in front of the Seashore express which they did not see. The other two women with Mrs. Watcher saw the approaching train in time to escape, but she seemed dazed and stood unmoved on the track until she was hurled against the passing freight train and fell between the track. Her head was nearly severed from her body, her face lacerated and cut and one foot mashed. The body was placed on the train and taken home to Altoona and was interred in the Catholic cemetery on Wednesday.

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E. James can always be relied upon to carry in stock the purest and best goods, and sustain the reputation of being active, pushand reliable, by recommending articles with well established merit and such as are popular. Having the agency for Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, colds and coughs, will sell it on a positive guarantee. It will surely cure any and every affection of throat, lungs or chest, and in order to prove our claim, we ask you to call and get a Trial Bottle Free.

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MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED.

The following marriage licenses were issued by the Clerk of the Orphans' Court for the week ending Wednesday, August 25, 1886:

Charles L. Dawson and Lucy B. Peyton, Johnstown.

Jacob Huber and Maggie Benlor, Conemaugh borough.

Frank M. Leap and Ellie McMorris, Washington township.

Harvey G. Long, Portage township, and Sadie A. Kerns, Summerhill township.

Lawrence Volk, Gallitzin borough, and Jennie Dunegan, Tunnelhill borough.

Benjamin Bunn, Lilly borough and Maggie Bell Makin, Millville borough.

Leonard Holtz Susquehanna township, and Helena Strittmatter, Carroll township.

Patrick L. Behe, Altoona, Blair county, Pa., and Amanda Delozier, Carrolltown.

Jacob Bender and Katie Scanlan, Washington township.

Blair Short and Lizzie Robine, Lilly borough,

William Kelly, Jackson township, and Dora A. Scoville, East Wheatfield township, Indiana county.

Michael Bopp and Mary Bopp, Carroll township.

James M. Pringle, Summerhill township, and Mary C. Burke, Cresson.

Samuel M. Brubaker and Mollie Selwitz.

Hemlock Items.

Work at the mines here has been resumed; but cars are so scarce that but very little coal is being shipped. The miners are not making one-fourth time.

The Messrs. Yost, of Carrolltown, are drilling prospecting holes on the coal land of W. H. Piper & Co. near here. One of the results is a beautiful flowing well of pure cold water.

About one hundred buckets of black berries per day are shipped from Lilly. Most of them are taken by trainmen and disposed of to parties in Altoona and Conemaugh. Three cents per quart is the price paid the pickers.

A terrible accident occurred here on Friday night of last week by which two young men named Andrew Sutton and Adolphus Diehl lost their lives. These two young men had been to Summerhill and returning on freight about 9 o'clock P. M. In some manner, just how will doubtless remain a mystery, were thrown under the wheels and shockingly mutilated. Their bodies were not found until 2:30 Saturday morning. The body of Sutton was severed in the middle and both arms were cut off; also the top of his head was crushed, while Diehl's body was simply a ground up mass gathered up with shovels in which a hand and foot were the largest pieces. Both men were in the employ of D. K. Wilhelm at his saw mill on Ben's creek, and were steady, industrious young men. The remains of Sutton were interred in the Catholic cemetery here on Sunday after an appropriate sermon by Rev. Father Browne. His funeral, which was attended by the Knights of Labor, was one of the largest ever seen here. Diehl's remains were interred in the cemetery near his home, which is near Butlersville, Blair county. Both were unmarried and aged about 24 years.

But from these sad, shocking scenes we turn to the brighter side. This week the wedding bells have been ringing their merriest peals.

The first wedding took place on Tuesday and was that of Mr. Frank Leap and Miss Ellen McMorris, both of Washington township. The attendants were Mr. James Franey and Miss Emma Leap. Rev. Father Browne, of St. Rose's Catholic church, said the words which we have no doubt made happy for life two of our most respected young people.

At the same place and by the same Rev. Father, on Monday, August 23th at 7 o'clock A. M., Mr. E. Blair Short and Miss Lizzie, daughter of Mr. C. Robine, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony in Nuptial Mass. Of the groom it may be said in all sincerity, he is one of the finest young men to be met with anywhere. Steady, sober, honest and industrious, he has a host of friends unlimited, who will join us in wishing every blessing which can tend to make life happy upon him and his fair young bride, whom none know but to love and respect for the virtues which adorn true womanhood.

Two other young and loving hearts were joined in the silken tie of matrimony by Rev. Father Browne, on Wednesday morning also, in the persons of Mr Jacob Bender and Miss Katie Scanlan. Both are young, handsome and respected, and are well calculated to make each other happy throughout the the journey "adown the stream of time."—That the roses may be many and the thorns few lining their path through life, is the earnest wish of their friends. Yours. C.

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Attention, School Boards!

If you contemplate purchasing school furniture drop a postal card to C. A. Buck, of Carrolltown, who is agent for the Victor folding lock desk and the Victor stationary top, and he will show you a sample desk and give you prices which he assures us will make a sale. The furniture speaks for itself. This furniture is acknowledged by all who are judges to be the most complete desk brought before the public.

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Important to Farmers.

The Horse Shoe brand of fertilizers of Chicago, all bone, blood and meat, is constantly kept on hand and for sale at Ebensburg and Carrolltown. I will be at the shed or at J. A. & T. B. O'Hara's office, Ebensburg, every Saturday to fill orders.

A. SCHETTIG, or
A. ECKENRODE,
Carrolltown, Pa.

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Hay Fever.

Ely's Cream Balm was recommended to me by my druggist as a preventive to hay fever. Have been using it as directed, and have found it a specific for that much dreaded and loathsome disease. For ten years or more I have been a great sufferer each year, from August 9th till frost, and have tried many alleged remedies for its cure, but Ely's Cream Balm is the only preventive I have found. Hay fever sufferers ought to know of its efficacy. F. B. Ainsworth, of F. B. Ainsworth & Co., Publishers, Indianapolis, Ind.

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THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by E. James.

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What We Are Indebted to the South For.

There appears in our colums to-day the advertisement of the well-known (and universally used in the Southern States) Simmons Liver Regulator. Years ago it won its way into every household in the South by pure, sterling merit. It there takes the place of a doctor and costly prescriptions. The medicine is becoming widely known in the North, and wherever used the demand for it has steadily increased. It is a family medicine, containing no dangerous and deleterious qualities, but purely vegetable, and so gentle in its action that it can be safely given to any person, no matter what age—the centenarian or the crowing youngster. Working people are often in that miserable state of health which really unfits them for labor; but they havn't time to take medicine and be sick. Simmons Liver Regulator can be taken without causing any loss of time, and the system will be built up and invigorated by it. The Regulator promotes digestion, dissipates nasty sick headache, and gives a strong, full tone to the system. In malarious climates it is invaluable, both protecting attack from the disease and expelling the poison after it has entered the system. It has no equal as a preparatory medicine, and can be safely used when a doctor cannot be called in. Persons of the very highest character and eminence have given Simmons Liver Regulator their cordial and hearty endorsement.

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The American Agriculturist.

The September number of the *American Agriculturist* contains three full-page engravings appropriate to the season, and, in addition, a large number of illustrations of animals, machinery, household contrivances, farm conveniences, buildings, etc. It is claimed for the number that is it the most elegantly illustrated issue of the periodical ever published. The contributions of thirty writers are published. The leading feature is the fair list, containing over ten thousand, collected by the editors from correspondence with every part of the country. Of nearly three thousand responses, five hundred write that they have no fairs this year. The *Agriculturist* sells for $1.50 per year and is published at No. 751 Broadway.

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Married.

STATLER—GREGG.—August 12th, 1886, at the Presbyterian Parsonage, this place, by Rev Robert McCaslin, Mr. William H. Statler and Miss Annie Gregg, both of Johnstown.

DAWSON—PEYTON.—August 19th, 1886, at the Presbyterian parsonage, this place, by Rev. R. McCaslin, Chas L. Dawson and Lucy B. Peyton, both of Johnstown.

Obituary.

MYERS.—Died at the residence of her uncle, Mr. W. W. McAteer, in Loretto, on Thursday, August 19, 1886, Miss Ida Myers, daughter of Henry J. and Ann Myers, both deceased, aged about 16 years.

GWIN.—Died at the residence of A. J. Christy, at Loretto, on Monday, August 23, 1886, Miss Mary E. Gwin, aged 85 years.

The deceased was born at Annapolis, Maryland, on May 28, 1801, and was a sister of Commodore John Gwin, of the U. S. Navy, and of the late Dr. William Gwin, of Loretto, and an aunt of Mrs. A. J. Christy where she died. Her remains were interred in St. Michael's cemetery, Loretto, on Thursday last, after a requiem High Mass. May she rest in peace.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR SALE.—A farm containing 133½ acres within two miles of Altoona, will be sold on reasonable terms or will exchange for city property. For particulars inquire at Godfrey Wolf's Clothing Store, next door to postoffice, Altoona, Pa. Aug. 27-4t

Public Sale -OF- VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.

The undersigned will expose to public sale on the premises in Cambria township, on TUESDAY, AUGUST 31, 1886, at 2 o'clock, P. M., the following described real estate, viz:

A piece or parcel of land situate in Cambria township, Cambria county, adjoining lands of Obadiah Reese, heirs of Peter Scanlan, deceased, and others, containing 60 acres, more or less, about 30 acres cleared, having thereon erected a TWO STORY BRICK DWELLING HOUSE and a FRAME BANK BARN.

Terms will be made known on day of sale.

JOSEPH HOGUE,
Adm'r d. b. n. c. t. a. of Teresa Scanlan, dec'd.
Loretto, Pa., Aug. 20.-2t

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that Charles Tomlinson and Ellen C., his wife, of Allegheny township, Cambria county, have made an assignment to the undersigned of all the property of said Charles Tomlinson in trust for the benefit of his creditors. All persons indebted to said Charles Tomlinson are notified to make payment without delay, and those having claims against him will present them, properly authenticated for settlement to

F. D. SAUPP,
Assignee of Charles Tomlinson, Et. ux.
Loretto, Pa., Aug. 20, 1886.-6t.

COURT PROCLAMATION. WHEREAS, The Hon. Robert L. Johnston President of the Court of Common Pleas of the 47th Judicial District, consisting of the County of Cambria, and the Hon. John Flanagan and the Hon. Joseph Masters, Associate Judges of Cambria county, having issued their precept bearing date the *7th day of June, 1886*, to me directed, for holding a Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery and Quarter Sessions of the Peace, in Ebensburg, for the County of Cambria, and to commence on the FIRST MONDAY OF SEPTEMBER, being the sixth day of September, 1886, and to continue two weeks.

Notice is hereby given to the Coroner, Justices of the Peace, Aldermen and Constables of said County of Cambria, that they be then and there in their proper persons at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, with their records, inquisitions, examinations and their own remembrances, to do those things which to their offices appertain to be done, and those who are bound in recognizances to prosecute against the prisoners that are or shall be in the jail of Cambria County, be then and there to prosecute against them as shall be just.

Given under my hand at Ebensburg the 9th day of August, in the year of our Lord 1886, and the one hundred and tenth year of the Independence of the United States.

JOSEPH A. GRAY, Sheriff.
Ebensburg, Aug. 13, 1886.-4t.

TRIAL LIST.—Sept. Term, 1886.
SECOND WEEK.

Use Porter Kinports vs. Mechling
Freidhoff vs. Washington Twp.
Bennett vs. Boring
Ludwig vs. Cambria Iron Co.
Miller vs. Glass
Freidhoff vs. Washington Twp.
Garman vs. Lilly Boro.
Mancher vs. Directors of Poor
McConaughy vs. Richards et al
Dibert vs. Kemery
Reed vs. Thomas
Gunning vs. Fitzharris
Lee et ux vs. Quartz
Ansman vs. C. C. & N. Y. S. L. R. R. Co.

Aumable vs. Sprout
King vs. Emerson
Poland vs. Hayes
Murphy vs. Allison
Evans & Hughes vs. Long
Von Lunen vs. Park
Shields vs. C. C. Co. & N. Y. S. R. R. Co.

Hipps & Lloyd vs. Mechling
Gwin vs. Reynolds et al
Krause vs. Rex

H. A. SHOEMAKER,
Prothonotary.
Proth'y's Office, Aug. 9, 1886.

TRIAL LIST.—3d Monday in Sep. '86
Special Term.

Jackson J. S. Oil Co. vs. Glenn
Kanstead vs. Garman
Same vs. Same
Behe et al vs. Behe et al
Same vs. Same
Rickardson vs. Luther

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ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE.—Letters of administration *de bonis non cum testamento annexo* on the estate of Teresa Scanlan, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are notified to make payment without delay, and those having claims against the same will present the same properly authenticated for settlement to

JOSEPH HOGUE,
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Loretto, Pa., Aug. 20, 1886.-6t

Sheriff's Sales.

BY Virtue of Sundry Writs of Fieri Facias, and Vend Expon issued out of the Court of Common Pleas and to me directed there will be exposed to Public Sale at the Court House in Ebensburg, Pa. on

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1886,

at ONE o'clock, P. M., the following Real Estate, to wit:

All the right, title and interest of M. B. McLaughlin and Margaret, his wife, of, in and to all that certain lot of ground situated in Washington township, Cambria county, Pa., fronting on the Portage Rail Road on the east, and running back to P. R. R. on the west, adjoining lot of Wm. Doran on the north and lot of John. H. Clark on the south, having thereon erected a two story frame house and outbuildings now in the occupancy of M. B. McLaughlin.

Also all that certain lot of ground situate in Washington township, Cambria county, Pa., fronting on Portage Railroad on the west and running back to land of M. A. Quartz on the north and lot of John A. Clark on the South, having thereon erected a frame stable, now in the occupancy of M. B. McLaughlin.

Also all that certain lot of ground situated in the borough of Gallitzin, Cambria county, Pa., fronting on Tunnelhill st. on the south and running back to an alley on the north, and adjoining lot of Rich'd Denny on the west and street on the east, having thereon erected a blacksmith shop now in the occupancy of John Kayler. Taken in Execution and to be sold at the suit of Joseph Gutwald.

Also all the right, title and interest of Henry D. Rager, of, in and to all that certain tract of land situated in Jackson township, Cambria county, Pa., adjoining land of B. Figart on the north, Mrs. Sarah Leidy, Nathaniel Singer and others on the east and land of Jacob Reighard on the west, containing about one hundred and seventy-nine acres, more or less, about one hundred acres cleared, having thereon erected a one and one-half story log house now in the occupancy of Daniel Rager.

Also a one and one-half story plank house now in the occupancy of Chas. McKeel.

Also a one and one half story plank house now in the occupancy of Jas. McKeell.

Also a one and one-half story plank and log house now in the occupancy of Frank D. Graw. Taken in Execution and to be sold at the suit of Jonathan Custer.

Also all the right, title and interest of Evan J. Michaels of, in and to all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in Carroll township, Cambria county, Pa., adjoining land of David Owens, Sebastian Luther, Thos. Meisel, estate of Jacob Zern and others containing one hundred acres more or less, about ninety acres of which are cleared, having thereon erected a one and one-half story frame house and frame barn now in the occupancy of John Fees. Taken in Execution and to be sold at the suit of Samuel Griffith and W. R. Filler, Esq., executors of Daniel Griffith, dec'd.

Also all the right, title and interest of John Sloan of, in and to all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the borough of Summitville, Cambria county, Pa., fronting on the Loretto and Cresson pike on the south-west and E. & C. Road on the north and John Hines on the north west, containing nine acres, and having thereon erected a one story plank house and plank stable, now in the occupancy of John Sloan. Taken in Execution and to be sold at the suit of Gottlieb Pfiester.

Also, all the right, title and interest of John Burns of, in and to all that certain lot of ground situate in the borough of Tunnelhill, Cambria county, Pa., fronting on Portage street on the south, and running back to land of James McCloskey on the west adjoining lot of Frank M. Bradley on the east, and Henry McDade on the west, having thereon erected a two-story frame house, a one-story shop and a plank stable, now in the occupancy of John Burns. Taken in execution and to be sold at the suit of Jacob Lusch.

Also, all the right, title and interest of James Flanagan of, in and to all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in Barr township, Cambria county, Pa., beginning at the corner in the western line, thence south 270 perches more or less to a post or maple, thence south, 65 degrees east, 58 perches more or less to a spruce, thence north, 25 degrees east, 245 perches more or less to the corner of the division line, as established and marked on the ground between Michael G. Snyder and Joseph Miller, thence along the said division line north, 65 degrees west, 162 perches more or less, to the place of beginning; containing 158 acres, 80 perches and allowance. Taken in execution and to be sold at the suit of J. A. Kennedy.

Sheriff's Sales.

By virtue of sundry writs of Fieri Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Cambria county, and to me directed, there will be exposed to Public Sale at the Mansion House, in Johnstown, on

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4th, 1886,

at one P. M., the following Real Estate, to wit:

All the right, title and interest of W. J. Wolesslagle of, in and to all that certain lot of ground situate in the borough of Wilmore, Cambria county, Pa., fronting on the east side of Main st., and extending back to Pine alley, having lot No. (18) eighteen on the north, and Walnut street on the south, and known on the plan of said borough as lot No. (20) twenty, having thereon erected a two-story frame dwelling house and store room and frame stable and other outbuildings, now in the occupancy of W. H. Robertson and J. C. Moreland. Taken in Execution and to be sold at the suit of Mrs. Susan Kern.

Also, all the right, title and interest of Patrick Connell of, in and to all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the township of East Taylor, Cambria county, Pa., fronting on the Ebensburg and Johnstown road on the west, and running back to an alley on the east, and adjoining lot of Thomas McGovern on the south, and Rodger McAnally on the north containing one acre, having thereon erected a two-story plank house and other outbuildings, now in the occupancy of Patrick Connell. Taken in Execution and to be sold at the suit of the Commissioners of Cambria county.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-third of the purchase money to be paid when the property is knocked down, and the remaining two-thirds on confirmation of the deed.

JOSEPH A. GRAY, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office,
Ebensburg, Aug. 7, 1886.

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July 23, 1886.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following accounts have been filed in the Court of Common Pleas of Cambria county, Pa., and will be confirmed by said Court on the first Monday of September next unless cause be shown to the contrary:

First and final account of C. D. Wharton, assignee of Cooper & Mellon.
First and final account of Otis Lloyd, assignee of Rees Jno. Lloyd and Evaline H., his wife, in trust for benefit of creditors.
First and final account of John J. Devlin, assignee of Patrick Heneghan.

H. A. SHOEMAKER, Proth'y.
Ebensburg, Aug. 11, 1886-3t.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Letters of administration *de bonis non cum testamento annexo* on the estate of M. M. Adams, late of the township of Washington, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are notified to make payment without delay, and those having claims against the same will present them properly authenticated for settlement to

MRS. MARY ADAMS,
R. DEVERAUX,
Adm'rs d. b. n. c. t. a. of M. M. Adams, dec'd.
Ebensburg, Pa., July 30 6t.

LOST.—Strayed from the subscriber residing in Gallitzin, Cambria county, about the middle of July, seven head of beef cattle described as follows: 1 large white spotted steer, 1 large white spotted heifer, 1 large red heifer, 1 middle sized red steer with white back, 1 kind of a yellow steer, a small red muley heifer and 1 steer the color between a red and white.

Gallitzin, July 25, '86. Charles Anstatt.

NOTICE.—To the Heirs and Legal Representatives of Susan Samuels, dec'd.

TAKE NOTICE that an Inquest will be held at the late residence of Susan Samuels, deceased, in the borough of Johnstown, in the County of Cambria, on Saturday, the 4th day of September next, at 10 o'clock, in the forenoon of that day, for the purpose of making partition of the real estate of said decedent among her heirs and legal representatives, if the same can be done without prejudice to or spoiling of the whole; otherwise, to value and appraise the same according to law, at which time and place you are required to attend if you think proper.

JOSEPH A. GRAY, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Ebensburg, August 3, 1886.—3t

NOTICE.—In the Court of Common Pleas of Cambria County.

Notice is hereby given that on the 7th day of June, A. D., 1886, the petition of Joseph L. Ferrel, Pres. and B. F. Ritter, Sec'y, was presented, representing "That the Cambria Mining and Manufacturing Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of this Commonwealth and that the said Company is the owner in fee of certain lands amounting to about five thousand acres situate in the county of Cambria, state of Pennsylvania, known as the Arent Sonman tract;

"That your petioners have recently discovered that there remains on record in the said county of Cambria a mortgage on a portion of the said lands, the said mortgage having been made by one John O'Neil on his undivided share in the lands aforesaid, to secure the payment of four thousand dollars ($4,000) to Emily Ogle William Postlethwaite and John Wilt, executors of Chas. Ogle, deceased, bearing date April 1, 1842, and recorded July 9, 1842, in Mortgage Book, Volume 2, page 75;

"That the petitioners have reason to believe that said mortgage has been paid, and that it remains unsatisfied on the records."

Whereupon the Court on the 7th day of June, 1886, ordained and directed the Sheriff of said county of Cambria to give notice by publication as directed by the act of Assembly to the said executors of Chas. Ogle, deceased, to appear on the first Monday of September term, 1886, and answer the said petition.

JOSEPH A. GRAY, Sheriff.
Aug. 6 4t.

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AUDITOR'S NOTICE.—In the Court of Common Pleas of Cambria County. In the matter of the assigned estate of Hiram Crum, having been appointed auditor to distribute the fund in the hands of Jacob J. Weaver, assignee, arising from his first and partial account. Notice is hereby given that I will sit at my office in Ebensburg, on Tuesday, Aug 10th, 1886, at 10 o'clock, a. m., at which time and place all persons interested must present their claims or be debarred from coming in on said fund.

T. W. DICK, Auditor.
Ebensburg, July 23.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Letters of administration *de bonis non cum testamento annexo* on the estate of William Callan, late of the township of Washington, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are notified to make payment without delay, and those having claims against the same will present them properly authenticated for settlement to

A. W. BUCK,
Adm'r. d. b. n. c. t. a. of Wm. Callan, dec'd.
Ebensburg, Pa., July 16-6t.

VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE!

The subscriber will sell at private sale, his farm in Allegheny township, Cambria county, adjoining lands of Valentine Bishop, Jos. Maloy and John Rose, containing

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JOSEPH BILLER.
Allegheny twp., June 11, 1886.

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CAUTION NOTICE.

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JAS. S. GALLAHER.
Fiske, Cambria Co., Pa., July 23, 1886-3t.

NOTICE TO BONDHOLDERS.—All persons holding Cambria county bonds of the issue of March 1st, 1882, for $500.00 each, from No. 111 to No. 140 both inclusive, are required to present the same for payment at the Treasurers office, Ebensburg, Pa., on September 1st, 1886, after which date interest will cease on said bonds.

JOHN KIRBY,
JAMES COSTLOW,
DAVID HAMILTON,
Commissioner
Com's. Office, Ebensburg, Pa., July 16th, 1886.
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D. A McGonigal, clerk.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Letters of administration *de bonis non cum testamento annexo* on the estate of James Parrish, deceased, late of Munster township, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are notified to make payment without delay, and those having claims against the same will present them properly authenticated for settlement to

JAMES A. PARRISH,
Adm'r. d. b. n. c. t. a. of Jas. Parrish, dec'd.
Ebensburg, Pa., July 16-6t.

STRAYED.

Strayed away from the subscriber, at Jamestown, Portage twp., Cambria county, Pa., on the 5th day of June, 1886, A red cow, with a little white on belly a piece out of the under side of left ear, about eight years old. Any information regarding said cow will be suitably rewarded.

J. H. KENNEDY,
Portage P. O., Pa.
July 2.

NOTICE.—To the Heirs and Legal Representatives of Francis X. Christy.

TAKE NOTICE That an Inquest will be held at the late residence of Francis X. Christy, dec'd., in the township of Gallitzin, in the county of Cambria, on Monday, the 9th day of August next, at 10 o'clock, in the forenoon of that day, for the purpose of making partition of the real estate of said decedent to and among his heirs and legal representatives, if the same can be done without prejudice to or spoiling of the whole; otherwise to value and appraise the same according to law, at which time and place you are required to attend if you think proper.

JOSEPH A. GRAY, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Ebensburg,
Pa., July 16th, 1886.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.—In the matter of the first and final account of Michael Bradley, executor of the last will and testament of M. C. Bradley, dec'd. The undersigned having been appointed auditor by the Orphans' Court, of Cambria county, Pa., to make distribution of the funds in the hands of said accountant. Notice is hereby given that I will sit at Arbitration room, in Court House, in Ebensburg, Cambria county, Pa., on Tuesday, August 10th, 1886, at ten o'clock, a. m., of said day, to discharge the duties of my appointment, when and where all persons interested may attend or be forever debarred from coming in on said fund.

B. B. MYERS, Auditor.
Ebensburg, Pa., July 16.

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June 4, 1886.

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Ebensburg, October 24, 1884.

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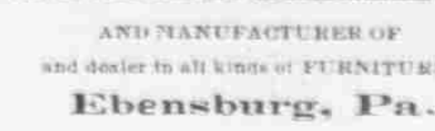

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G. HUNTLEY,
HIGH STREET. — — — EBENSBURG.

FARM NOTES.

Good pasture makes plenty of butter.

An application of lye will restore to rough trunks and branches of orchard trees their original smoothness.

Freshly slaked lime sprinkled on the young turnips will preserve them from the attacks of the flea beetle. It should be applied when the dew is on.

One thousand pounds of dry corn cobs will burn down to four and a half pounds of ash, and of this two and a half pounds will be pure potash. The fact that cows often like corn cobs may be due to the potash they contain, and which may serve to correct disordered digestion.

The best gravel for road making has no stones larger than a hen's egg, and is free from dirt, and has no more sand among it than will barely fill the interstices between the pebbles. Clean gravel free from dirt and stones will pack uniformly, make a smooth road and last indefinitely.

The *Indiana Farmer* says: "Mr. T. S. Connett, in Irvington, has a method of training raspberries that is worthy of imitation. He stretches a wire along each row about two feet from the ground, fastened to poles at each end, supported every rod or so with a light slat. The vines are spread out fan-shaped and tied to the wire. In this form they are convenient for plowing and picking. He is quite successful in growing them."

Gravel serves the same purpose with birds that teeth do with quadrupeds. The grinding in the gizzard may be heard by placing the ear near the fowls when their stomachs are full and digestion is taking place. The sound of the gravel stones grinding and rubbing against the grain is especially audible in the case of ducks that are about half grown, at which time they are increasing in size very fast and digestion proceeds very rapidly.

The *Massachusetts Plowman* says: When a large second crop of grass is desired, a dressing of some quick acting manure may be applied immediately after the first crop is harvested, with a result that will usually be very satisfactory. An excellent dressing may be made by mixing fine ground bone with good wood ashes a week or ten days before it is applied. In mixing these two materials together, to prevent the escape of ammonia when the land heats, fine loam or fine dry muck should be mixed with the bone and ashes. Superphosphate may be applied with good results, providing that a gentle rain soon follows the application; the fact is, no fertilizers will do much good unless there is an occasional rain to keep the soil moist.

P. M. Augur advises for mature bearing cherry trees a liberal dressing of some special complete manure every year. Young trees should have only moderate shallow culture, with a good mulch, the culture to be omitted as soon as the trees are established. He protects the trunks of young trees with strips of old cloth tied from the head to the base the first two seasons. When attacked by aphis the trees should be sprayed with a kerosene emulsion. If black, gummy spots appear on either trunk or branches, it is advised to apply to the affected parts a bandage poultice composed of five parts of fresh cow manure and one part of flour of sulphur, thoroughly mixed. As a preventive to disease Mr. Augur washes the trunk and main branches of his trees in the spring with the following mixture: A pail of common white or lime wash, one pint of soft soap and one pound of sulphur.

The *Poultry World* says it is a great mistake to wet oat or corn meal fed to poultry with so much water as to give it the consistency of a thin, slushy paste, at once difficult to pick up with their delicate pointed bills and impeding digestion by weakening the digestive fluids with too much moisture.—Corn meal, especially, should have just enough hot water poured over it to moisten and partially swell the minute particles and cause them to fall apart rather than adhere to each other. The rich yellow mass is then ready to be taken up, and not only aids in digesting the other contents of the crop and gizzard, but keeps the bowels in good order, and should not be omitted as a portion of each day's mess, except in case of acute internal disease. It should not constitute the entire grain food of fowls, as our maize yields so much oil as to incline growing fowls and laying hens to put on to much fat.

A correspondent of the *Ohio Farmer* describes a home-made tool he finds very useful in his garden work: Take a piece of hoop iron a foot long and bend it in such a manner that when the ends come together there will be a circular hoop in it two inches across. Punch two holes in the ends two inches apart, then take a piece of pitchfork handle or other round piece of wood a foot long and saw into one end of it deep enough to let the ends of the iron into within half an inch of the loop. Rivet this handle on and sharpen one edge of the loop, and the tool is complete. You will be astonished at the amount of good work that can be done in a perfect manner with this simple contrivance. It is better than any of the band weeders in the market because with it you can work right up to the smallest plant without danger of cutting it off.

The age of horned cattle may generally be known by rings on the horns until their tenth year; after that time they give no indication of age further than that the animal has passed its tenth year. The first ring appears on the horn after the animal has passed two years old—soon after, as a general rule, though sometimes before that age. During the third year the ring gradually increases, and at three years of age is completely formed. The second ring appears during the fourth year, and at the fifth year it is complete. After that an additional ring is formed each year. This rule is sufficiently plain, and even a young farmer needs but little practice to enable him to read a cow's age on her horns. A cow with three rings is six years old. No new rings are formed after the tenth year; the deeper rings, however, and the worn appearance of the horns are pretty sure indications of old age.

THE BEAUTIFUL EMPRESS.

A Picture of Eugenie in all the Bloom and Brilliancy of her Charms.

The weather to-day is wet and dismal. It reminds me of the first day that I ever set eyes on Paris. It was in the month of May, 1854. This reminiscence, and a perusal of an article by my brilliant colleague, Brander Matthews, which I have just seen, have impelled me to write something about the Paris of over thirty years ago. I was a young girl then, full of life and spirit and enjoying to the utmost the delights of a trip to Europe, then a far more uncommon thing than it is nowadays, and especially this season, when it seems as if the United States had tipped over, and had poured its creme de la creme into Europe. Paris was very different then, socially and politically, from what it is at present. The empire was in the first blaze of its glory.

The Empress Eugenie was then the royal beauty, par excellence, of Europe. She was not quite thirty years of age, and was in all the bloom and brilliancy of her charms. I saw her first in the imperial loge at the Comedie Francaise. She was attired in pure white and wore a splendid necklace of immense pearls. On the front of the box before her was placed a great bouquet of roses with long stems, made up with seeming carelessness and tied with a ribbon. She was very, very lovely, and her grace was even more attractive than her beauty. As I write, there rises before me a vision of the small, gracefully poised head, with its wealth of golden chestnut hair; the long, slender throat; the sloping shoulders, whiter than the glistening pearls that adorned them; the soft blue eyes; and, above all, the indescribable and unaccountable melancholy of the expression—a sadness not to be chased away even by the frequent smiles that disclosed her pearly, even teeth. It was an expression like that which rests like a shadow on the handsome, intellectual features of Vandyck's portraits of Charles I.—a look prophetic, it is said, of coming misfortune and dreary doom.

She was unpopular even then, despite her charms and her affability; and when she went out to drive, few and far between were the hats lifted in greeting to her, or the cries of "Vive l'Imperatrice!" that marked her progress. There was then residing in Paris a gentleman from Philadelphia, long since deceased, who cherished a chivalrous and ardent admiration for the fair empress, and whenever he saw her carriage approaching he would rush into the middle of the street, wave his hat in the air, and shout "Vive l'Imperatrice!" with all the force of a pair of stentorian lungs. I do not think that his honest, demonstrative homage displeased in the least its imperial object. She used always to respond to his greeting by a most gracious bow and one of the sweetest smiles. Even then the Parisians had contrived to show her that they hated her, and that in their eyes she was "the Spanish woman," the alien and the intruder—an heir to all the unpopularity of the Austrian, Marie Antoinette. She used to dress exquisitely in those days, her toilets being of a simple yet costly elegance, suited to her youth and grace, and the poetic nature of her beauty. I remember her at the races, dressed all in pale delicate lilac, her silk dress having fringes of the same hue woven in its flounces. She had not yet invented crinoline; that was to come a few months later.—Lucy Hooper's Paris Letter.

A Fearless Lion Tamer.

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A writer in Nature thinks the design of a black skin is to protect the delicate tissues beneath. Flesh is very translucent to a strong light, and there is no doubt that the rays of a tropical sun would light up a white man's skin considerably, whereas black skin would stop out the solar energy of light, heat and chemical rays effectually. Skin heat is of no importance, as perspiration can always keep that down. May not the oiling of the skin in hot countries be partly to make it reflective, so that it should absorb less heat? And may not the regard white races have for clothing be partly for the purpose of keeping the insides of their bodies sufficiently in the dark?

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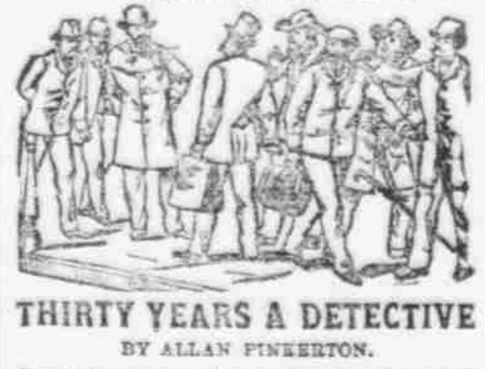

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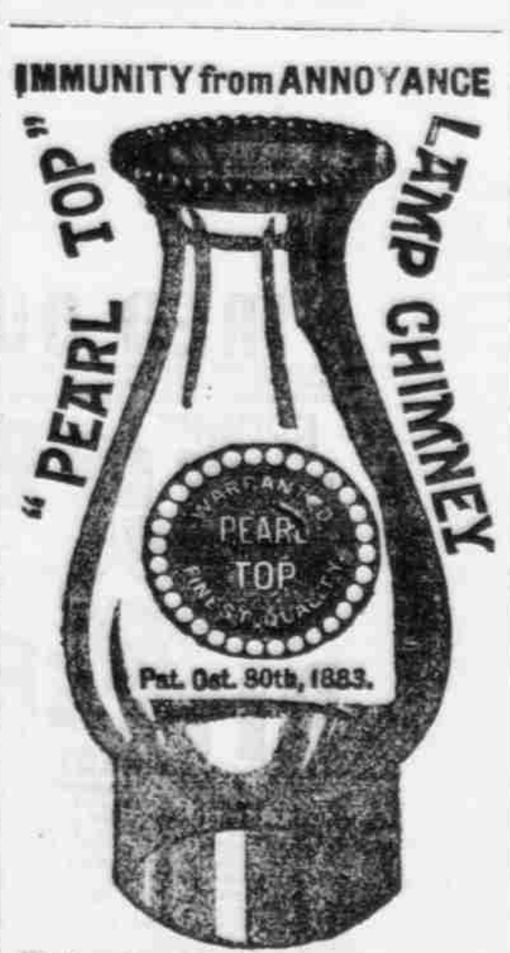

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And what of the girl with the peach-bloom cheeks? Ah, me! She married another. She forgot her vows at the old front gate, as some girls will, and married a richer and handsomer man. And I? Well, I went off to another front gate where there were other peach-bloom cheeks and other lips as sweet, and just as many stars to count.

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The Wisconsin Forest Fire

So wide is the territory
the forest fires in Northern
Wisconsin, and so meagre the
as to the actual extent of
age, that the losses can only be
approximated. The greatest
was to standing timber, which
source of wealth of this district
Marathon, Wood, Clark, Brown
and Calumet counties suffered
severely.

President Hiles, of the
and Lake Superior road, places the
and standing pine damaged at
millions. He says unless heavy
intervene within fourteen days
the timber resources of the
named will be destroyed. The
has been so long continued that
have withered and fallen
their time, swamps and
dried up, creeks have disappeared
streams have dwindled to
rivulets. Everything, therefore
like tinder, with no barrier to
its progress. Hundreds of
acres of openings, where the
growth of pine was growing
burned over.

From the best information
it is estimated that fifty
consumed along the line of the W
Central Railroad, and hundreds
of piled wood, ties, etc., are
The number of families that
rendered homeless is estimated
representing some 3,500 people
individual losses are comparatively
but in the aggregate reach
million, mostly uninsured.
berry marshes destroyed were
the largest in the country.
years will be required to
bushes, the loss is severe.
at $200,000.

Cattle and horses perished
hundreds. Many were suffocated
died from inability to obtain
Hundreds of acres of grain and
sands of tons of hay were consumed

Summarized, the loss to
is about as follows, according to
timates of people who have
regions devastated: At Spencer
000; Depre, $50,000; near Colby
Milladore and elsewhere along the
consin Central, $250,000. In the
of Green Bay and along the
peninsula, $400,000; Calumet
and other counties,
course, is exclusive of damage
lumber interests.

How Chameleons Change Color.

For some time after they
the South, they remained
brown. But when their box
an open window so that
the sun and smell the fresh
would change to
colors. It is a mistake
colors vary according to
substance on which they
be. It changes according
ing. Sometimes, when
having been disappointed
of a wild fly, they will
green; and when cold
a dark brown. Often when
watching them, I have seen
the sun on a branch
color that I mistook
branch. In a moment
to change, turning
the eyes, then one foot
then his tail, then a
back, and so the change
until suddenly he would
—a beautiful, brilliant

All three changed to
of green your houses
and the third and smallest
rank a green as I ever
times they would be
yellow, or like burnt
times fawn-color. I take
on their breasts they
move. They are green
sleep. Mine always
together, clinging
walls of their box

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